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The annotated list in this issue is limited to titles recently added to the national collection, which contains thousands of fiction and nonfiction titles, including classics, biographies, gothics, mysteries, and how-to and self-help guides.

To learn more about the wide range of books in the national collection, readers may order catalogs and subject bibliographies from cooperating libraries. Librarians can check other resources for titles and answer requests for special materials.

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In Brief

Collection Development Advisory Group seeks advice

The members of the Collection Development Advisory Group wish to thank fellow patrons and librarians for their input concerning the NLS program. Please be assured that ideas and suggestions were thoroughly discussed in the committee's deliberations.

Please continue to assist us by contacting committee members or your cooperating braille or talking-book library with your suggestions. Reader imput is the key ingredient in the success of our program.

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NLS works with BVA to support blinded veterans

The federal legislation that enables the Library of Congress to provide free library service to blind and physically handicapped individuals (Public Law 89–522, July 30, 1966) specifies that preference shall at all times be given to blind and physically handicapped persons who have been honorably discharged from the armed forces of the United States. The Blinded Veterans Association (BVA) represents a significant segment of the NLS user community, and BVA representatives often serve on NLS advisory committees.

BVA is the only congressionally chartered veterans service organization exclusively dedicated to serving our nation's blinded veterans. BVA supports rehabilitation initiatives and has its own national, full-time field service representative program. Field service offices throughout the country provide advice, information, and aid to blinded veterans and their families. BVA field reps, all of whom are blinded veterans themselves, counsel blind veterans in their respective regions. The reps link veterans with service, rehabilitation, training, and other benefits. In addition, BVA helps veterans who receive counseling to find jobs within the community.

The BVA traces its roots back to 1945, when a group of veterans who lost their sight during World War II met at an army hospital in Connecticut and founded the association. BVA has been instrumental in spearheading and helping to sustain programs and services meant to give aid to blinded veterans ever since. BVA supports Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Comprehensive Blind Rehabilitation Services, which helps veterans learn how to live without sight, from the basics—such as crossing the street safely—to the more complex issues of coming to terms with their condition and leading fulfilling and productive lives.

There is no charge for any BVA service and all legally blind veterans are eligible for assistance regardless of whether they lost their vision during service or afterward. BVA works closely with the Congress of the United States and the VA to accomplish its vital mission.

Some of the above was adapted from the Blinded Veterans Association web site <www.bva.org>. For more information, visit the web site or call toll free 1-800-699-7079.

Magazine of the Month selections for 2003

Two NLS programs offer readers samplings of magazines not otherwise available through network libraries. Subscribers to Magazine of the Month and Young Adult Magazine of the Month receive a different magazine on audio

cassette each month. For a free subscription to either program, contact your cooperating talking-book library. Although the selections are subject to change, subscribers will receive some of the following magazines during 2003.

Magazine of the Month

■ **American Craft** (artists, techniques, history, and trends of American crafts as well as exhibits and galleries)
■ **America's Civil War** (battles, personalities, book reviews, and current land preservation issues for Civil War enthusiasts)
■ **Animal Wellness** (animals of all sorts and their health issues for general readers)
■ **Black Enterprise** (African American entrepreneurs, economic history, businesses, government initiatives, and opportunities)
■ **Cooking Light: The Magazine of Food and Fitness** (recipes and tips for healthy eating)
■ **Good Old Days** (childhood memories and the American past)
■ **Hispanic** (prominent Hispanic business people, politicians, and celebrities and social issues pertaining to Hispanics)
■ **Home Business** (success stories, home office suggestions, and monetary advice for home-based entrepreneurs)
■ **Personal Journaling** (self-discovery through writing)
■ **Psychology Today** (psychology for general readers)
■ **The Strand Magazine** (book reviews, author interviews, and short stories for mystery enthusiasts)
■ **Vietnam** (veterans' stories about their experiences fighting in Southeast Asia, book reviews, and articles dealing with the war)

Alternates: **Archaeology, The Blue and the Gray, Budget Living, Country, Dog World, Emerge, Family History, Latin Trade, Military Heritage, Readymade, Speakeasy, Taste of Home**

Young Adult Magazine of the Month

■ **American Girl** (articles of interest to girls with diverse backgrounds; winner of a 2002 Parents' Choice Gold Award)
■ **Blast** (popular musicians, fashions, and movie reviews)
■ **Cinefantastique: The Magazine with a Sense of Wonder** (horror, sci-fi, and fantasy film genres)
■ **J-14: Just for Teens** (music, movie, and television reviews, celebrity news, fashion tips)
■ **Latina** (fashion, lifestyle, and social issues of interest to Hispanic women; bilingual)
■ **Martial Arts** (different forms of martial arts)
■ **Mountain Bike** (news and developments in mountain biking)
■ **Powder: The Skier's Magazine** (skiing information and articles about the sport)
■ **Realms of Fantasy** (book and movie reviews and short fantasy stories)
■ **Relix: Music for the Mind** (latest musical events, feature article on a band, album reviews)
■ **Teen Celebrity** (news about the latest popular actors and musicians, articles on topics of interest)
■ **Vibe** (rap, hip-hop, and other music interests, fashion, and urban youth lifestyle)

Alternates: **Black Belt; Canoe Journal; Elle Girl; GL: Girl's Life; Latin Style; M: Music, Movies & More; Pop Star; SciFi; Skateboarding; Star Trek Communicator; Teen Beat; Zuri**

Books for Adults

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including biographies, classics, gothics, mysteries, romances, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Note: For the information of the reader, a notice may appear immediately following the book description to indicate occurrences of strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, or violence. The word "some" before any of these terms indicates an occasional or infrequent occurrence, as in "some strong language."

Cassettes Nonfiction

Coping with Blindness: Personal Tales of Blindness Rehabilitation RC 48786
by Alvin Roberts
read by Tom Burch
1 cassette
The author, who is blind, reminisces about his forty years as a rehabilitation counselor, recalling some of his clients and how much he enjoyed being in the field. He also describes learning to live, travel, and work with blindness, based on personal experiences from the 1950s to the 1990s. 1998.

Jacqueline du Pré: Her Life, Her Music, Her Legend RC 49342
by Elizabeth Wilson
read by Anne Hancock
4 cassettes
A biography of internationally acclaimed cellist du Pré, written by a personal friend—also a professional cellist. Discusses the context and background of du Pré's musical achievements, her marriage to Daniel Barenboim, her relationship with her sister Hilary, and the wide-ranging impact of multiple sclerosis. 1998.

The Immaculate Invasion RC 50559
by Bob Shacochis
read by Ray Childs
4 cassettes
The author recounts his year and a half spent with a team of Special Forces in Haiti following the 1994 U.S. invasion and occupation. Describes the confusion among American politicians and the delicate position of the soldiers trying to bring democracy to a tyrannized country. Violence and strong language. 1999.

Inside the Oval Office: The White House Tapes from FDR to Clinton RC 50571
by William Doyle
read by Dan Bloom
4 cassettes
Analyzes taped conversations of every president since 1940, when a prototype recorder was first installed in Franklin Roosevelt's office. Depicts national leaders as executive managers conducting everyday business rather than as the images projected to the public. Includes transcripts of assorted discussions. Offers suggestions on future recording policy. 1999.

The Big Test: The Secret History of the American Meritocracy RC 50585
by Nicholas Lemann
read by Ray Childs
4 cassettes
Describes the efforts of James Bryant Conant and Henry Chauncey to develop the SAT (Scholastic Aptitude Test) and establish it as an integral part of the college admission process. Further discusses the SAT's impact on the affirmative action debate. 1999.

Alexander Hamilton, American RC 50758
by Richard Brookhiser
read by Gary Telles
2 cassettes
Biography of one of America's founding fathers. Covers Hamilton's childhood in the Caribbean, his arrival in New York at age fifteen, his military career, and his appointment as the first secretary of the treasury. Also includes his family life, scandals, founding of the *New York Evening Post*, and death in a duel. 1999.

The Johnstown Flood RC 50905
by David McCullough
read by Susan McInerney
3 cassettes
A vivid description of the causes and effects of the Johnstown, Pennsylvania, flood of 1889 that killed thousands. Based on first-person accounts of the tragedy that occurred when a man-made dam broke, flooding the entire valley with twenty million tons of water and debris. 1968.

Tigers and Ice: Reflections on Nature and Life RC 51262
by Edward Hoagland
read by Phil Regensdorf
2 cassettes
Essayist celebrates the return of his vision after three years of being legally blind. Describes reaching the age of sixty and finding harmony while reminiscing about life, suicide, friendship, and mortality. Includes accounts of traveling to Antarctica and India, as well as working with circus animals. 1999.

Lives on the Line: American Families and the Struggle to Make Ends Meet RC 51398
by Martha Shirk and others
read by Don Feldheim
3 cassettes
Uses case studies of ten poor families from across the United States to depict the lives of children growing up below the poverty line. Observes that one or both parents in each family were employed. Argues that indigence is rooted in teen parenthood, low educational achievement, and low income. 1999.

The Curse: Confronting the Last Unmentionable Taboo; Menstruation RC 51400
by Karen Houppert
read by Liz Solar
2 cassettes
A reporter for the *Village Voice* examines "how our culture conspires to transform monthly bleeding from a benign inconvenience into a shameful, embarrassing, and even debilitating event." Essays cover PMS, adolescence, the feminine hygiene industry and marketing, and the menstrual counterculture. Some strong language. 1999.

Command Performance: An Actress in the Theater of Politics RC 51526
by Jane Alexander
read by MaryBeth Wise
3 cassettes
Alexander's memoir of her tenure as the sixth chairman of the National En-

dowment for the Arts when the 104th Congress—led by Newt Gingrich—sought to eliminate the agency. Explains the difficulties she faced as an actress assuming a political position and how she adjusted to working in Washington. 2000.

Vulcan's Fury: Man against the Volcano RC 51531
by Alwyn Scarth
read by Michael Scherer
3 cassettes
Depicts fifteen volcanic eruptions across a wide geographical and historical spectrum with emphasis on the aftermaths and how people were affected. Spans the centuries from A.D. 79 (Vesuvius) to 1991 (Pinatubo) in discussing volcanos around the globe. Contains eyewitness reports from survivors. 1999.

Koufax RC 51576
by Edward Gruver
read by Phil Regensdorf
2 cassettes
Biography of baseball's "best" left-handed pitcher, who won three Cy Young Awards, hurled a perfect game, and was forced to retire for medical reasons at thirty. Recounts some of Sandy Koufax's important contests and describes his personal demeanor, including his refusal to play on the Jewish high holy days. 2000.

A Place for Us: How to Make Society Civil and Democracy Strong RC 51578
by Benjamin R. Barber
read by Don Nelson
2 cassettes
Describes the history of the concept of civil society. Examines its various models, interpretations, and relevance to democracy in the United States. Argues against either government's bureaucratic control or the private sector's reliance on the market. Envisions a creative citizenry with values beyond work and commerce. 1998.

A Plague of Frogs: The Horrifying True Story RC 51733
by William Souder
read by Michael Russotto
3 cassettes
Reports on the 1995 discovery of large numbers of deformed frogs, most in Minnesota, and questions the ecological implications of the bizarre phenomenon. Traces scientific efforts to determine environmental factors that could have caused such abnormalities. 2000.

American Pharaoh: Mayor Richard J. Daley; His Battle for Chicago and the Nation RC 51742
by Adam Cohen and Elizabeth Taylor
read by Robert Sams
5 cassettes
Chronicles the life and times of Democrat Richard J. Daley (1902–1976), the Irish Catholic longtime mayor of Chicago. Traces his rise to power, political alliances, responses to the civil rights movement, and role in the 1968 presidential convention unrest. Also recalls how he developed the city into a modern metropolis. 2000.

The Sacred Depths of Nature RC 51856
by Ursula Goodenough
read by Barbara Pinolini
1 cassette
A biologist offers insights into the ongoing dialog between science and religion. Drawing on cosmology, astrophysics, and cell biology—as well as theories about evolution, sexuality, and death—she explores the origins and meanings of life and the universe. Observes that scientific discoveries have not mini-

mized the mysteries of nature and humanity. 1998.

Can You Relate? Real-World Advice for Teens on Guys, Girls, Growing Up, and Getting Along RC 51879
by Annie Fox
read by Tracy Mickens-Hundley
2 cassettes
Online teen advisor suggests methods and resources to address teenagers' most pressing concerns. Includes tips on dating and sex, parents and siblings, and school and friends. Also covers conflict resolution and other communication problems. Some descriptions of sex. For senior high readers. 2000.

Original Story By: A Memoir of Broadway and Hollywood RC 52059
by Arthur Laurents
read by Ray Hagen
4 cassettes
A playwright, screenwriter, and director offers a look into the worlds of Broadway and Hollywood as he discusses his half-century in the business. He also provides insight into the lives of the many stars of stage and screen with whom he worked. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2000.

Tinnitus: Questions and Answers RC 52068
by Jack A. Vernon and
Barbara Tabachnick Sanders
read by Mark Ashby
2 cassettes
Provides information on tinnitus—commonly referred to as "ringing in the ears"—a subjective condition not generated by outside noise. Discusses causes and treatments with both conventional and alternative therapies, including drugs, cochlear implants, hearing aids, and masking devices. Explores related problems and includes lists of resources and organizations. 2001.

Without Reservations: The Travels of an Independent Woman RC 52105
by Alice Steinbach
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
Travel memoir by a Pulitzer Prize-winning Baltimore journalist, who recalls feeling too narrowly defined by her roles as a newspaper columnist and mother of grown sons. In 1993, to rediscover herself, Steinbach spent a year living in Europe and sent herself postcards recording her impressions of the adventure. 2000.

Cassette Books, 2000 RC 52217
by National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped
read by Butch Hoover
4 cassettes
A catalog of talking books produced on cassette for adult and young adult readers during 2000. The nonfiction and fiction sections list books by subject categories. Separate listings identify books for young adult readers and for Spanish readers. 2000.

Dailies and Rushes RC 52299
by Susan Kinsolving
read by Kimberly Schraf
1 cassette
A finalist for several prestigious American poetry awards presents the first major collection of her work. Her observations offer insights. In "Dried Butterflies" she describes her reaction to finding shoe boxes of pressed butterflies in her late Aunt Gertrude's closet, for no one knew she collected them. 1999.

A Place in the Country RC 52350
by Laura Shaine Cunningham
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
Cunningham describes her transformation from city dweller to country sophisticate on a farm in upstate New York, as she negotiates with the land, the people, and the animals, adopts two girls, and survives a divorce. Companion to *Sleeping Arrangements (RC 31699)*, in which she discussed her urban childhood living with various relatives. 2000.

Driving while Black: Highways, Shopping Malls, Taxicabs, Sidewalks; How to Fight Back If You Are a Victim of Racial Profiling RC 52352
by Kenneth Meeks
read by Chuck Young
2 cassettes
Guidelines for victims of racial profiling by police, security guards, sales clerks, and others. Includes advice on handling potentially life-threatening confrontations. Outlines the identification system known as CARD (class, age, race, and dress) and suggests steps for ending racism. 2000.

Marcel Proust RC 52534
by Jean-Yves Tadié
read by Annie Wauters
9 cassettes
A comprehensive biography of the early-twentieth-century French novelist, carefully detailed and rich in illustrative anecdotes. Explains Proust's life in connection with his major work, the semi-autobiographical *Remembrance of Things Past (RC 23759, RC 23760, RC 23761)*. 2000.

What Is Scientology? Based on the Works of L. Ron Hubbard RC 52578
compiled by International Staff of the Church of Scientology
read by Margaret Strom
7 cassettes
Using founder L. Ron Hubbard's writings, details the philosophy, practices, and organization of the group that was established in the United States in the 1950s. Chronicles Hubbard's life; explores the church's goals of encouraging self-understanding, protecting religious freedom, and working toward a better world. 1993.

Do I Stand Alone? Going to the Mat against Political Pawns and Media Jackals RC 52597
by Jesse Ventura
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Minnesota governor and author of *I Ain't Got Time to Bleed (RC 48828)* calls for political renovation by outlining what is wrong with the current system and offering suggestions for change. Ventura also criticizes the media's lack of accountability and the abandonment of constitutional principles. Some strong language. 2000.

The Lost Children of Wilder: The Epic Struggle to Change Foster Care RC 52811
by Nina Bernstein
read by Jill Fox
4 cassettes
Using a New York City legal case, a reporter examines the U.S. foster care system, revealing its racial, religious, and political inequities. Observes that private, publicly funded agencies that are entrusted to place children in stable environments discriminate on the basis

of creed and convenience. Strong language. 2001.

The Disability Rights Movement: From Charity to Confrontation RC 52812
by Doris Zames Fleischer and Frieda Zames
read by Gary Tipton
3 cassettes
Legislative history of the civil rights movement for individuals with disabilities in the United States. Discusses the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, various advocacy organizations, and the roles of technology and deinstitutionalization. 2001.

The Measure of Her Powers: An M.F.K. Fisher Reader RC 52813
by M.F.K. Fisher
read by Madelyn Buzzard
4 cassettes
Tales of food, travel, and reminiscence selected from Fisher's publications during sixty years of writing. In "The Lemming to the Sea," Fisher tells of the Frenchman who fell in love with her across the dining room, watching as she sat alone eating so thoughtfully and voluptuously. Some strong language. 1999.

Confederate Admiral: The Life and Wars of Franklin Buchanan RC 52850
by Craig L. Symonds
read by Randy Atcher
3 cassettes
Biography of the first superintendent of the Naval School in Annapolis, who fought in the Mexican War and journeyed to Japan with Matthew Perry before resigning his commission in 1861. Buchanan joined the Confederacy in 1864, commanding two experimental ironclad ships. Aboard both vessels, he sustained wounds while in battle. 1999.

Wanderlust: A History of Walking RC 52851
by Rebecca Solnit
read by Janis Gray
3 cassettes
Considers the movement of the human body in the act of walking as a catalyst in creative thinking, along with the measured interaction with passing scenes that walking entails. The author intermingles stories of her own wanderings with those of such artists as Wordsworth, who found meditative walks essential to the poetic process. 2000.

World War 3.0: Microsoft and Its Enemies RC 52854
by Ken Auletta
read by David Myers
4 cassettes
An account of the antitrust trial of the U.S. Justice Department against the computer company owned by Bill Gates. Chronicles the civil suit and stresses the question of free enterprise versus government regulation. Considers the new economy, technology, and personalities that accompany the case as well as Microsoft's business practices. 2001.

On the Trail of the Women Warriors: The Amazons in Myth and History RC 52859
by Lyn Webster Wilde
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Exploration of the sources of the Greek myth of a tribe of ruthless women warriors who lived without men. Discusses archaeological evidence in support of the existence of female warrior groups in history. Probes the nature of their power and places them in the context of other ancient societies. 1999.

Greek Fire: The Story of Maria Callas and Aristotle Onassis RC 52867
by Nicholas Gage
read by Mitzi Friedlander
4 cassettes
A detailed account of the stormy love affair, begun in 1959, between the opera diva and the shipping tycoon. Discusses Onassis's pursuit of Callas, their fateful liaison on his yacht, the reputed birth of their stillborn son, and their emotional commitment to each other even after Onassis's marriage to Jacqueline Kennedy. Some strong language. 2000.

Warriors of God: Richard the Lionheart and Saladin in the Third Crusade RC 52948
by James Reston
read by Robert Blumenfeld
3 cassettes
Describes the conflict (1187–1192) that pitted European Christians against the united Arab empire of Egypt and Syria for control of Jerusalem. To the Muslims, the crusaders were an invading foreign army of occupation. Examines the leadership of England's King Richard I and the sultan Saladin. Violence. 2001.

Rumi: A Spiritual Biography RC 52949
by Leslie Wines
read by Frank Coffee
1 cassette
Concise introduction to the life and times of the Sufi mystic poet Rumi (1207–1273). Discusses Rumi's itinerant childhood, the transforming experience of his friendship with the eccentric dervish Shams al-Din of Tabriz, and the creation of his poetry. 2000.

The Best and the Brightest RC 53020
by David Halberstam
read by Fred Major
7 cassettes (Reissue)
Study of the nature of political power, of the decision-making process that caused U.S. involvement in the Vietnam War, and of key figures in the Kennedy and Johnson administrations. 2001 foreword by Senator John McCain. Followed in 2001 by *War in a Time of Peace (RC 53021)*. Bestseller 1969.

The Noonday Demon: An Atlas of Depression RC 53027
by Andrew Solomon
read by Roy Avers
5 cassettes
Examines the mental illness depression from cultural, personal, and scientific viewpoints. Explores medical treatments and alternatives, addiction, suicide, and related topics refracted through the author's own experiences and the struggles of fellow sufferers whom he interviewed. Some violence and some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Waging Modern War: Bosnia, Kosovo, and the Future of Combat RC 53038
by Wesley K. Clark
read by Lou Harpenau
4 cassettes
Memoir by the retired American general who was the Supreme Allied Commander in Europe during the 1999 conflict in the Balkans. Discusses the roles of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), the Pentagon, and the U.S. State Department in conducting NATO's first modern war and the war's implications for future armed conflicts. 2001.

Sailing Alone around the Room: New and Selected Poems RC 53069
by Billy Collins
read by Christopher Walker
1 cassette
Selections of poetry from four previous collections with twenty new poems by the United States Poet Laureate. "Osso Buco" celebrates a savory home-cooked meal while "Forgetfulness" deplores the mind's lapses of memory over time, and "Nightclub" evokes billowy smoke, rhythmic dreamy atmosphere, and mellow saxophone tones. 2001.

Poems and Other Writings RC 53100
by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow
read by Gary Telles
5 cassettes
Collection of 127 poems and 15 translations of poems published by the nineteenth-century American poet during his lifetime, selections from unpublished manuscripts, the novella *Kavanagh, a Tale*, and three essays. Includes "Evangeline," "The Song of Hiawatha," "The Courtship of Miles Standish," and selections from *Tales of a Wayside Inn*. 2000.

Born in Blood and Fire: A Concise History of Latin America RC 53105
by John Charles Chasteen
read by Peter Gil
2 cassettes
Overview spanning six centuries of volatile history with profiles of both major figures and lesser known personages who shaped the area's development. Discusses colonization, independence, and modern political states. Covers economic and social trends, while examining European and American influences. 2001.

Unholy Wars: Afghanistan, America, and International Terrorism RC 53133
by John K. Cooley
read by Ralph Lowenstein
4 cassettes
A veteran journalist's account of the unforeseen consequences of the United States' alliances with radical Islamist movements in the 1980s during efforts to contain Soviet expansion. Explains how Muslim guerrillas trained by the CIA to resist the 1979 Soviet invasion of Afghanistan reemerged as violent anti-Western factions following the Russian withdrawal. 1999.

Marie Antoinette: The Journey RC 53134
by Antonia Fraser
read by Bill Wallace
4 cassettes
Biography of Marie Antoinette (1755–1793), the fifteenth child of Empress Maria Teresa of Austria. Describes Antoinette's court life, her marriage at fourteen to the future Louis XVI of France, their subsequent problems, and the political intrigues that led to their fall. Some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2001.

Anaïs Nin: A Biography RC 53142
by Deirdre Bair
read by Lisette Lecat
5 cassettes
The biography of a habitual diarist. Portrays this self-absorbed and sex-obsessed woman as an important minor writer. Nin may be best remembered for her affair with American expatriate novelist Henry Miller, as revealed in *Henry and June (RC 34354)*. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1995.

All Things Wise and Wonderful RC 53147
by James Herriot
read by Bob Askey
3 cassettes (Reissue)
In this sequel to *All Things Bright and Beautiful (RC 39611)*, a Yorkshire veterinarian recalls his stint in the RAF during World War II and relates anecdotes about the animals he administers to. Some strong language. 1976.

Slanting the Story: The Forces That Shape the News RC 53201
by Trudy Lieberman
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
The author contends that conservative think tanks skillfully use the media to shape America's public policy. Using case studies, she argues that the Heritage Foundation and the Cato Institute, among others, act to discredit their liberal opponents by manipulating public opinion in policy debates. Faults news media for failure to identify ideological bias. 2000.

The Edward Said Reader RC 53210
edited by Moustafa Bayoumi and Andrew Rubin
read by Fred Major
4 cassettes
Anthology of key pieces written by Said between 1966 and 1999 spans his career of cultural, literary, and political criticism. Investigates subjects ranging from Joseph Conrad and Jane Austen to the Middle East peace process, decolonization, and Said's own experiences as a Palestinian exile. Editors provide context and commentary. 2000.

Different Hours: Poems RC 53212
by Stephen Dunn
read by Richard Hauenstein
1 cassette
This eleventh collection of Dunn's poetry won the Pulitzer Prize. His poems describe general events of daily life such as turning sixty, pretending to be happy when dining out with friends, and commenting on a perfect couple's divorce. Some strong language. Pulitzer Prize. 2000.

Facing the Wind: A True Story of Tragedy and Reconciliation RC 53216
by Julie Salamon
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
Assesses the case of Bob Rowe, who murdered his entire family in 1978 but spent only two years in a mental institution as a result. His second child, Christopher, had been blind and mentally impaired. Rowe's second wife and a former support group explore his guilt. Some violence and some strong language. 2001.

How to Read a Book RC 53224
by Mortimer J. Adler and Charles Van Doren
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Revised edition of the 1940 bestselling guide to reading comprehension. Aimed at the general reader, the four sections discuss reading in relation to learning, thinking, understanding, and analytical skills. Presents various techniques for gaining familiarity with different kinds of literature. 1972.

Soldat: Reflections of a German Soldier, 1936–1949 RC 53225
by Siegfried Knappe and Ted Brusaw
read by Richard Hauenstein
3 cassettes
Memoir of a German army officer from 1936 until his capture by Soviet troops in 1945. Recounts his participation in several foreign invasions, service on the Russian front, and firsthand recollections of Hitler's final days in the bunker. 1992.

Public Vows: A History of Marriage and the Nation RC 53228
by Nancy F. Cott
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
A Yale University professor examines the evolution of marriage law and its effects on American social structure. Discusses the expression of love and commitment as both a private contract and a public institution. Explains how the government's endorsement of monogamy has shaped national policy, property rights legislation, and tax law. 2000.

The Feeling of What Happens: Body and Emotion in the Making of Consciousness RC 53230
by Antonio R. Damasio
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
A neurologist theorizes about the nature of consciousness and the construction of the self. Brings together findings in biological and emotional development to provide perspective on great unsolved problems of human psychology. 1999.

Beyond the Stone Arches: An American Missionary Doctor in China, 1892–1932 RC 53235
by Edward Bliss
read by Lou Harpenau
2 cassettes
A son's account of his father's years as a medical missionary in Shaowu, a city in southeastern China. Bliss witnesses the end of the Manchu dynasty, revolution, and the rise of communism while tending to his patients, farming, raising cattle, and fighting disease. 2001.

Special Agent: My Life on the Front Lines as a Woman in the FBI RC 53236
by Candice DeLong and Elisa Petrini
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
Memoir by a retired female agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation detailing her training, work environment, and cases. DeLong says her experience as a psychiatric nurse served her well in profiling suspects and during the Tylenol poisoning and Unabomber investigations. Some violence and some strong language. 2001.

Aging with Grace: What the Nun Study Teaches Us about Leading Longer, Healthier, and More Meaningful Lives RC 53242
by David Snowdon
read by Tom Burch
2 cassettes
Epidemiologist discusses his research project on aging and the incidence of Alzheimer's disease in a stable population—nuns. Explains how the survey is conducted and his involvement with this group of women, many of whom have become personal friends. Examines his discoveries concerning remaining mentally alert. 2001.

Before Time Could Change Them: The Complete Poems of Constantine P. Cavafy RC 53251
by Constantine P. Cavafy
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
Collected works of the Greek poet Cavafy (1863–1933) who lived in Alexandria, Egypt. His poems evoke Greco-Roman legends, homosexual love, and the Eastern Mediterranean world. These translations by Theoharis Constantine Theoharis are arranged in thematic rather than chronological order. 2001.

The Woman Who Watches over the World: A Native Memoir RC 53253
by Linda Hogan
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Reminiscences of Native American novelist about her spiritual journey through physical pain to the triumph of love. Combines her struggles with abuse, illness, and affliction with meditations on the natural world and wisdom in traditional culture. Discusses the healing properties of love and compassion. 2001.

Sensory Exotica: A World beyond Human Experience RC 53260
by Howard C. Hughes
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Explores animal and insect senses that exceed human perceptual capabilities. Covers echolocation, internal navigation systems, electroreception, and acute scent recognition as found in bees, birds, bats, fish, and dolphins. Discusses how knowledge of these mechanisms has practical applications in scientific and technological fields. 1999.

The Best American Recipes 2001–2002 RC 53262
edited by Fran McCullough
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Collection of recipes gathered from sources such as cookbooks, magazines, newspapers, and the Internet. Selections, with hints and tips for cooks, include starters, soups, salads, breakfast and brunch, main and side dishes, breads, and desserts. Many of the recipes include suggestions for accompanying dishes and beverages. 2001.

Euclid's Window: The Story of Geometry from Parallel Lines to Hyperspace RC 53264
by Leonard Mlodinow
read by Lou Harpenau
2 cassettes
Traces the development of this branch of mathematics from the ancients' practical observations of natural phenomena to the modern era of abstract rules. Presents biographical sketches that explore the reasoning processes of Euclid, Descartes, Gauss, Einstein, and Witten. 2001.

Beyond the Grave: The Right Way and the Wrong Way of Leaving Money to Your Children (and Others) RC 53267
by Gerald M. Condon and Jeffrey L. Condon
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
Two attorneys, father and son, discuss the emotional and psychological aspects of inheritance and family conflicts that can arise. Includes information on living trusts, wills, avoiding probate, the IRS, grandchildren, disabled children, second spouses, pets, and more. 2001.

Twenty-five Gorgeous Sweaters for the Brand-New Knitter RC 53276
by Catherine Ham
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
Ham's twenty-five projects include cardigans, jackets, vests, tops, and items for children. The designs are aimed toward the novice and amateur. She includes suggestions for using a jacket pattern to make a coat, using patchwork squares, and adding embellishments. Provides schematics for all projects. 2000.

The Christmas Box Miracle: My Spiritual Journey of Destiny, Healing, and Hope RC 53293
by Richard Paul Evans
read by Gregory Gorton
1 cassette
Evans discusses the unforeseen forces behind his writing *The Christmas Box (RC 43556)* and tells some stories of people who have been affected by reading the book. He also recalls the eight things he has learned through the course of his Christmas Box journey. Bestseller 2001.

Q: The Autobiography of Quincy Jones RC 53304
by Quincy Jones
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
Portrait of the award-winning musician, composer, producer, and businessman who began his career at age eighteen playing backup for Billie Holiday in Seattle, then touring with Lionel Hampton's band. Incidents from Jones's career and family life are interspersed with commentary from his ex-wives, children, and such old friends as Ray Charles. Strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Dazzler: The Life and Times of Moss Hart RC 53315
by Steven Bach
read by Faith Potts
4 cassettes
Biography of the New York playwright (*Man Who Came to Dinner*) and director (*My Fair Lady* and *Camelot*). Discusses his career beginning with his first Broadway production in 1922 and his collaboration with other noted personalities, his manic depression and bisexuality, and his marriage to actress Kitty Carlisle. Some strong language. 2001.

Compass Points: How I Lived RC 53316
by Edward Hoagland
read by Ted Stoddard
2 cassettes
A prolific nature writer's autobiographical essays. In "In the Country of the Blind," Hoagland explores social and biblical notions of blindness and describes the loss and surgical restoration of his eyesight. Remembers teachers John Berryman and Archibald MacLeish and joining the circus at eighteen. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2001.

The Duke of Havana: Baseball, Cuba and the Search for the American Dream RC 53338
by Steve Fainaru and Ray Sánchez
read by Mark Ashby
3 cassettes
Chronicles the flight of pitcher Orlando "El Duque" Hernández from Cuba in 1997 and his participation in the World Series nine months later. After Fidel Castro banned him from playing baseball, Hernández conspired with Ameri-

can agent Joe Cubas to escape. Relates the conditions leading up to this event. Strong language. 2001.

The Boat Who Wouldn't Float
RC 53340
by Farley Mowat
read by Mark Ashby
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Mowat recounts how he was snookered into buying a leaky fishing vessel in Newfoundland and tried to convert it into a yacht to sail away to romantic shores. Mowat and his financial partner, Jack McClelland, confront a series of mishaps as the proposed two-month project turns into years. Some strong language. 1969.

The Lying Stones of Marrakech: Penultimate Reflections in Natural History RC 53348
by Stephen Jay Gould
read by Gary Telles
3 cassettes
Twenty-three essays discussing episodes from the history of science. Chronicles the field of paleontology and presents biographical sketches of scientists, including commentary on contemporary issues. The title piece discusses faked fossils. 2000.

The Best American Sports Writing 2001
RC 53352
edited by Bud Collins
read by Erik Synnestvedt
3 cassettes
Twenty-seven sports articles culled from various magazines over the year. Includes "The Natural," about teen tennis star Alexandra Stevenson, who is ignored by her father, basketball champion Julius Erving. Additional interviews with stock-car racer Dale Earnhardt Jr. and Joe DiMaggio's last personal manager, Morris Engelberg. Strong language. 2001.

Mr. Jones, Meet the Master: Sermons and Prayers of Peter Marshall
RC 53354
by Peter Marshall
read by Rick Rohan
1 cassette (Reissue)
During his years as minister of the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church in Washington, D.C., and as chaplain of the United States Senate, Marshall became well known for his sermons. His wife compiled this collection, which shows how he addressed his thoughts to every person—not just the rich and famous. 1949.

Give Me That Online Religion
RC 53368
by Brenda E. Brasher
read by Gordon Gould
2 cassettes
Brasher's research found more than one million online religion web sites in operation, encompassing every major religious tradition, most new religious groups, and many social movements functioning as de facto religions. She explores the meaning of electronic faith and discusses the protection of religious expression in cyber space. 2001.

The Spy Who Stayed Out in the Cold: The Secret Life of FBI Double Agent Robert Hanssen RC 53371
by Adrian Havill
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Traces the life and crimes of convicted FBI spy Robert Hanssen. Analyzing his motives and personality, the author delves into Hanssen's membership in the Catholic organization Opus Dei, his nonsexual relationship with a stripper,

and the vast damage his information did to the country. Some strong language. 2001.

When Things Fall Apart: Heart Advice for Difficult Times RC 53374
by Pema Chödrön
read by Gabriella Cavallero
1 cassette
American Buddhist nun describes how to apply her religion's philosophy to achieve happiness. Explains how to communicate, experience difficult emotions, and become compassionate using eight worldly dharma or basic Buddhist beliefs. 1997.

Ghosts of Manila: The Fateful Blood Feud between Muhammad Ali and Joe Frazier RC 53376
by Mark Kram
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Former writer for *Sports Illustrated* analyzes the feud between the two African American boxing champions, Muhammad Ali and Joe Frazier. He focuses on their last bout in 1975, in the Philippines. Discusses their lives as retired boxers, and the forces that influenced them. Strong language. 2001.

American Muslims: The New Generation RC 53384
by Asma Gull Hasan
read by Yolande Bavan
2 cassettes
A twenty-five-year-old Muslim woman, born, raised, and educated in the United States, examines Islam in America. She discusses beliefs, practices, values, stereotypes, militancy, women's issues, and politics. Includes personal anecdotes to support her points. 2000.

Hughes: The Private Diaries, Memos, and Letters; the Definitive Biography of the First American Billionaire RC 53387
by Richard Hack
read by Bill Wallace
4 cassettes
Biography of the aviator and movie producer Howard Hughes (1905–1976) based on his letters, memos, FBI files, court testimonies, and other historical records, among them autopsy reports. Outlines his upbringing, succession of wives and lovers, personal obsessions, drug dependence, and ultimate death in isolation. Bestseller 2001.

Political Fictions RC 53396
by Joan Didion
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Eight essays on American electoral politics published in the *New York Review of Books* between 1988 and 2000. Casts a critical eye on the election of the senior George Bush, the rise of Bill Clinton, Newt Gingrich and the Republican takeover of Congress, Clinton's impeachment, and the 2000 presidential race. 2001.

Finding Fish: A Memoir RC 53410
by Antwone Quenton Fisher
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
African American producer and screenwriter Antwone Fisher describes growing up a ward of the state in Cleveland in the 1950s. Born in prison to a single mother, he recounts betrayal by his foster mother, homelessness at age seventeen, the kindnesses of teachers and social workers, and years with the U.S. Navy. Some strong language. 2001.

Maurice Ravel: A Life RC 53411
by Benjamin Ivry
read by Frank Coffee
2 cassettes
A chronological account of the composer's life that propounds the thesis that "Ravel was a very secretive gay man." Using unpublished documents, letters, articles, and memoirs, Ivry discusses Ravel's sexuality and suggests how it affected the "sixty works of permanent value" he produced. 2000.

Beloved World: The Story of God and People as Told from the Bible RC 53414
by Eugenia Price
read by Bill Wallace
4 cassettes (Reissue)
A selection of seventy narratives from both testaments of the Christian Bible that show God's consistent love for humanity. 1961.

Macular Degeneration: The Latest Scientific Discoveries and Treatments for Preserving Your Sight RC 53425
by Robert D'Amato and Joan Snyder
read by Patricia McDermott
1 cassette
With an endorsement by the Macular Degeneration Foundation, an ophthalmologist and a patient describe the condition of age-related macular degeneration (ARMD) along with its risk factors, treatment options (including alternative therapies), and successful coping mechanisms. 2000.

Scourge: The Once and Future Threat of Smallpox RC 53427
by Jonathan B. Tucker
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
A concise history of the devastating disease and its consequences for human society. A biological and chemical weapons expert discusses the virus's obscure beginnings, its eradication in the 1970s, and its potential use in bioterrorism. Includes interview material from leaders in disease control. 2001.

Robert's Rules in Plain English RC 53430
by Doris P. Zimmerman
read by Lou Harpenau
1 cassette
Condenses the acknowledged parliamentary authority, *Scott, Foresman Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised (RC 42755)*, to present the rules for organizing, influencing, and expediting meetings in a straightforward manner. 1997.

Five T'ang Poets: Wang Wei, Li Po, Tu Fu, Li Ho, Li Shang-yin RC 53441
read by Fred Major
1 cassette
Selection of representative works by eighth- and ninth-century Chinese poets. Modern English translation by poet David Young, who also provides a brief introduction to each writer. 1990.

Venus Envy: A Sensational Season inside the Women's Tennis Tour RC 53444
by L. Jon Wertheim
read by Carol Dines
2 cassettes
Sports journalist provides a behind-the-scenes look at female professional tennis stars during the major tour games of 2000. Discusses ego, fashion, sex appeal, and family dynamics of Venus, Serena, and their father Richard Williams, as well as of Anna Kournikova, Jennifer Capriati, Lindsay Davenport, and Monica Seles, among others. 2001.

A Gift from Zeus: Sixteen Favorite Myths RC 53452
retold by Jeanne Steig
read by Tom Burch
1 cassette
Modern renditions of sixteen Greek myths. Major tales of gods and mortals known for their heroic deeds, misdeeds, passions, and pranks. Begins with Prometheus's theft of fire and Pandora's deplorable curiosity, and ends with the story of Orpheus's overwhelming love for Eurydice. 2001.

Poor Russell's Almanac RC 53454
by Russell Baker
read by Barry Bernson
1 cassette (Reissue)
Satirical essays by the *New York Times* columnist covering such subjects as New Year's Day, data processing, TV commercials, the Miss America Pageant, garden pests, and vacation and travel traumas. 1972.

Tandem Sit-On-Top Kayaking RC 53466
by Tom Holtey
read by Butch Hoover
1 cassette
Describes the sport of tandem kayaking in a vessel that has an open top for easier entry and exit and for increased safety and comfort. Explains the various types of kayaks and accessories that are available. Discusses paddle strokes, seamanship skills, and the launching and landing of a kayak. 2000.

Pox Americana: The Great Smallpox Epidemic of 1775–82 RC 53532
by Elizabeth A. Fenn
read by Margaret Strom
3 cassettes
Historian examines the devastation caused by the smallpox virus that ravaged continental North America while the east-coast colonies fought the revolution against Britain. Explores the complexity of historical interpretation in the light of this virulently contagious disease that caused terror and death and may have affected the war's outcome. 2001.

The Cat Who'll Live Forever: The Final Adventures of Norton, the Perfect Cat, and His Imperfect Human RC 53537
by Peter Gethers
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
In the latest tale of his Scottish Fold cat Norton, Gethers realizes that nothing lives forever. He recalls how Norton taught him lessons of loving and coping with illness after the cat developed kidney problems and then cancer. Sequel to *A Cat Abroad (RC 37530)*. Some strong language. 2001.

The Teachings of Don Juan: A Yaqui Way of Knowledge RC 53539
by Carlos Castaneda
read by Michael Scherer
2 cassettes
Record of the author's dialogs with Don Juan Matus, a Yaqui Indian shaman and sorcerer. Discusses the use of drugs to alter perceptions of reality. Describes Castaneda's strange and frightening spiritual journey. Thirtieth anniversary edition with new commentary by the author. 1998.

The Brother: The Untold Story of Atomic Spy David Greenglass and How He Sent His Sister, Ethel Rosenberg, to the Electric Chair RC 53551
by Sam Roberts
read by Steven Carpenter
4 cassettes
During the McCarthy era Julius and

Ethel Rosenberg were convicted of stealing atomic secrets for the Soviet Union (USSR) and were executed in 1953. A *New York Times* editor reveals the actions of Ethel's brother and fellow spy in betraying the couple. 2001.

The Final Days: The Last, Desperate Abuses of Power by the Clinton White House RC 53584
by Barbara Olson
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
Congressional investigator summarizes the misuse of power in the Clinton White House, where the former president "used executive orders, regulations, monuments, appointments, and pardons to help and enrich his allies, harm his foes, and extend the visible hand of government." Author was killed September 11, 2001, at the Pentagon. Strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Vernon Can Read! A Memoir RC 53586
by Vernon E. Jordan
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
Civil rights lawyer discusses the changes in social perspective and race relations in the United States that he has witnessed and experienced over his lifetime. The title is drawn from an experience Jordan had as a college student with a white employer in 1950s Georgia. Some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

All about Love: New Visions RC 53589
by bell hooks
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
Writing from her own experience, the outspoken feminist critic and educator reexamines the meaning of interpersonal relations and offers insight into society's flawed visions of love. Contesting the conventional notion that the ideal love is infused with sex and desire, hooks develops another model based on affection, respect, trust, and care. 2000.

Selected Poems RC 53591
by Robert Lowell
read by Frank Coffee
1 cassette
American poet Robert Lowell (1917–1977) made the revisions for this edition, which includes over two hundred poems. Contains sequences from previous books: *Lord Weary's Castle*, *The Mills of the Kavanaughs*, *Life Studies*, *For the Union Dead*, *Near the Ocean*, *History*, *For Lizzie and Harriet*, and *The Dolphin*. 1977.

Granny D: Walking across America in My Ninetieth Year RC 53596
by Doris Haddock
read by Jill Ferris
3 cassettes
Chronicle of Doris "Granny D" Haddock's fourteen-month walk across America, which she completed on February 29, 2000. Even though she was ninety years old and suffered from arthritis and emphysema, Granny D made her famous walk to publicize the need for U.S. campaign finance reform. 2001.

Taking Care: Thoughts on Storytelling and Belief RC 53600
by William Kittredge
read by Bill Wallace
1 cassette
The acclaimed author of memoirs and essays about the American West relates his coming of age in Oregon, exploring the role of family and the significance of place in shaping his values and convictions. Kittredge elaborates his belief

that stories govern human action and are essential for society's survival. 1999.

Grrr! The Complete Guide to Understanding and Preventing Aggressive Behavior in Dogs RC 53609
by Mordecai Siegal and Matthew Margolis
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Defines ten types of aggressive behavior in dogs, and explains their causes and solutions. Describes ways of teaching children how to interact with dogs and how to choose a basic obedience-training program. 2000.

Now, Let Me Tell You What I Really Think RC 53615
by Chris Matthews
read by Gregory Gorton
1 cassette
TV anchor for the news show *Hardball* explores his personal history, including stints with the Peace Corps and the U.S. Capitol Police and posts as speechwriter for president Jimmy Carter and as aide to House Speaker Tip O'Neill. Also discusses his political views. Bestseller 2001.

Crashing the Party: Taking On the Corporate Government in an Age of Surrender RC 53616
by Ralph Nader
read by Michael Scherer
3 cassettes
Green Party candidate's memoir of his unsuccessful 2000 presidential campaign against Al Gore and George W. Bush. Decries the decisive powers of the press and corporations in the election of officials and governance of the country. Offers suggestions for changing the system. Bestseller 2002.

The Lost Son: A Life in Pursuit of Justice RC 53621
by Bernard B. Kerik
read by Michael Scherer
3 cassettes
Autobiography of the commissioner of the New York City police department. Describes growing up tough in New Jersey, his stint in the military, investigating his mother's murder, and his career in the NYPD. Afterword deals with the terrorist events of September 11, 2001. Violence and strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Lazy B: Growing Up on a Cattle Ranch in the American Southwest RC 53655
by Sandra Day O'Connor and H. Alan Day
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor and her younger brother, Alan Day, recall their childhood on an Arizona cattle ranch. They describe the hardships and adventures of western living—cattle drives, water shortages, the isolation, and the values that shaped their lives. Bestseller 2002.

The Black Muslims RC 53679
by William H. Banks
read by Barbara Pinolini
1 cassette
Traces the history of organized African American nationalism, including the work of Marcus Garvey and Noble Drew. Describes the Nation of Islam's development from Wallace Fard and Elijah Muhammad through Malcolm X and Louis Farrakhan. Looks at the 1995 Million Man March. For junior and senior high readers. 1997.

Wildlife Wars: My Fight to Save Africa's Natural Treasures RC 53681
by Richard Leakey and Virginia Morell
read by David Cutler
2 cassettes
Leakey recalls the events leading up to his surprise appointment as director of Kenya's Wildlife Department in 1989 and his subsequent battle against elephant poachers. Discusses his efforts to reorganize the bureaucracy and protect the endangered wildlife in the national parks while facing personal threats. 2001.

The Science Times Book of Language and Linguistics RC 53683
edited by Nicholas Wade
read by John Hammock
2 cassettes
Thirty-six articles from the science section of the *New York Times* on the origins and acquisition of language. Topics covered include the tree of language, language in other species, language and the brain, and language and society. 2000.

On Her Own Ground: The Life and Times of Madam C.J. Walker RC 53688
by A'Lelia Bundles
read by Faith Potts
3 cassettes
A journalist and great-great-granddaughter of Madam C.J. Walker presents a historical account of the African American cosmetologist (1867–1919). Using personal papers, letters, newspaper accounts, and interviews, Bundles describes the innovator, wealthy businesswoman, and philanthropist. She examines Walker's personal and political motives and her fight against racial discrimination and violence. 2001.

Buffalo Bill: The Noblest Whiteskin RC 53698
by John Burke
read by Barbara Pinolini
2 cassettes (Reissue)
A candid exploration into the legend of the flamboyant Indian-fighter/showman, William F. Cody. Author debunks some of the extravagant claims made for Buffalo Bill, attributing them to dime novelists, but readily grants the hero the physical skills that made him famous. 1973.

In the Wake of the Plague: The Black Death and the World It Made RC 53711
by Norman F. Cantor
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Provides a survey of what twentieth-century biomedical science knows about the Black Death. Examines the effects of this infectious disease on individuals as well as on the larger society and places the fourteenth-century epidemic in a context of other fearsome outbreaks in medical history. 2001.

Love in the Lead: The Fifty-Year Miracle of the Seeing Eye Dog RC 53712
by Peter Brock Putnam
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Account of the early years of the Seeing Eye, Inc., of Morristown, New Jersey, the first organization in the United States to train dogs as guides for blind people. The organization emphasizes the importance of bonds of love between people and dogs. By the author of *Keep Your Head Up, Mr. Putnam (RC 19280)*. 1979.

A Queen for All Seasons: A Year of Tips, Tricks, and Picks for a Cleaner House and a More Organized Life! RC 53944
by Linda Cobb
read by Margaret Strom
1 cassette
Author of bestseller *Talking Dirty with the Queen of Clean (RC 51054)* provides practical advice on home management. Presents a monthly calendar of seasonal suggestions for organizing household chores, cleaning routines, and gardening guidelines. Bestseller 2001.

Cassettes Fiction

The Price of Power RC 51336
by James W. Huston
read by Norm Thibeault
3 cassettes
In the sequel to *Balance of Power (RC 48453)* President Pendleton has Admiral Billings arrested for insubordination, even as Indonesian pirates begin kidnapping Americans. Pendleton is in turn impeached and Jim Dillon finds himself defending the admiral in court. Meanwhile, Navy Seals await orders to attack. Some violence. 1999.

Traitor RC 51337
by Ralph Peters
read by Dan Bloom
2 cassettes
Lieutenant Colonel John Reynolds is approached in Washington by a former friend seeking inside information about the bombing of a French aircraft research facility. When that man and Reynolds's girlfriend are targeted by unknown assassins, the shell-shocked, grieving officer looks for answers and trusts no one. Violence and strong language. 1999.

The Blue Knight RC 51338
by Joseph Wambaugh
read by Dan Bloom
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Big, brash Bumper Morgan is a veteran cop of the L.A.P.D. After twenty years on the beat—the underbelly world of pimps, pushers, winos, prostitutes, and killers—he is nearing retirement, and through it all he has kept a heart of gold under his badge of bronze. Explicit descriptions of sex and strong language. 1972.

New Trails: Twenty-Three Original Stories of the West from Western Writers of America RC 51339
edited by John Jakes and Martin H. Greenberg
read by Dan Bloom
3 cassettes
Anthology includes never-before-published entries by old hands such as Elmore Leonard, Elmer Kelton, Loren D. Estleman, and John Jakes, as well as by newer writers including seven women. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1994.

Other Worlds RC 51340
by Barbara Michaels
read by Ray Childs
2 cassettes
A group that includes Harry Houdini and Arthur Conan Doyle gathers to investigate two ghost cases. In nineteenth-century Tennessee, the Bell family is harassed for years by a poltergeist; and in Stratford, Connecticut, in the 1850s, the Phelps family is haunted by an unknown spirit. For senior high and older readers. 1999.

The Last Good Man RC 51341
by Kathleen Eagle
read by Liz Solar
2 cassettes
Successful New York model Savannah Stephens returns home to Sunbonnet, Wyoming, with her six-year-old daughter Claudia, where she hopes to overcome the devastation of breast cancer. Childhood friend Clay Keogh struggles to help Savannah resume a normal life. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2000.

The Rose Garden: Short Stories RC 51342
by Maeve Brennan
read by Lindsay Ellison
2 cassettes
Twenty stories set in Dublin, Manhattan, and the New York area; most were published in the 1950s and 1960s in the *New Yorker*. The title piece reveals the secret world of a difficult-to-love Irish shopkeeper, Mary Lambert, now widowed after ten years of marriage and left with two children. 2000.

The Paris Years of Rosie Kamin RC 51343
by Richard Teleky
read by Anne Hancock
2 cassettes
Soon after her mother's death, Rosie fled Pittsburgh and a demanding father for Paris. Decades later as she tends her dying French lover, Serge, a former Algerian boyfriend unexpectedly reappears. Rosie must now confront the habits of escapism and denial that dominated her early life. Some descriptions of sex. 1998.

Ghost Moon RC 51399
by Karen Robards
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
When single mother Olivia Morrison returns home to LaAngelle Plantation in Louisiana, childhood memories of her mother's drowning begin to surface. But before she finds love and peace of mind, Olivia must face additional shocks and horrors. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2000.

Dakota Kill RC 51508
by Peter Brandvold
read by Dan Bloom
2 cassettes
After seven adventurous years away, Mark Talbot returns home to the Dakota territory and learns of his brother's murder. He challenges the greedy Magnusson family's effort to run off the small ranchers and discovers that the little girl next door has grown up. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2000.

At End of Day RC 51520
by George V. Higgins
read by Christopher Walker
3 cassettes
For forty years Boston FBI agents Jack Farrier and Darren Stoat have collaborated with Mafia criminals Arthur McKeach and Nick Cistaro in an effort to keep crime under control. Now McKeach and Cistaro are at the top of the game—but there's a new agent in town. Strong language and some violence. 2000.

Handyman RC 51543
by Linda Nichols
read by Susan McInerney
2 cassettes
Maggie, a college dropout and single mom with a dead-end job, accepts her friend's offer to pay for a three-week therapy overhaul. Unaware that the therapist had a heart attack, Maggie unburdens herself to remodeling contractor Jake. Instead of admitting he's not the doctor, Jake attempts to fix Maggie's life. Some strong language. 2000.

As We Are Now RC 51586
by May Sarton
read by Cyn Delafield
1 cassette (Reissue)
Elderly spinster schoolteacher Caro Spencer is left in a desolate old folks' home by her older brother. As boredom and lack of mental stimulation increase for her, she keeps a journal and plans for the inevitable. 1973.

The Curse of the Pharaohs RC 51633
by Elizabeth Peters
read by Barbara Rappaport
3 cassettes
Amelia Peabody and her husband, Emerson, return to Egypt to assume the leadership of a promising dig in the Valley of the Kings after the mysterious death of the former leader. It becomes obvious at once that someone—or something—is intent on destroying the couple. Sequel to *Crocodile on the Sandbank (RC 28834)*. 1981.

The Body Artist RC 51731
by Don DeLillo
read by Constance Crawford
1 cassette
Recently married, body artist Lauren Hartke and movie director Rey Robles spend several months in a rented house before Rey commits suicide. Lauren then discovers a strange man who—unbeknownst to her—has been living in the home. And he sounds like Rey. Some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2001.

Spytime: The Undoing of James Jesus Angleton RC 51732
by William F. Buckley
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
Fictionalized account of the career of spy James Jesus Angleton, who ended his career as chief of counterintelligence at the CIA. Traces the beginning of his professional life in World War II and his obsessive search for the mysterious fifth man in the Kim Philby spy ring. Some violence and some strong language. 2000.

Gambler's Rose RC 51738
by G.W. Hawkes
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
In 1971 Honolulu, Hawaii, Charlie Halloran wants to quit gambling and cheating even before he falls in love with mathematician Lia O'Donel. But his cardsharp father, Music, has one more high-stakes game for Charlie to play. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2000.

All Men Are Mortal RC 51746
by Simone de Beauvoir
read by David Cutler
3 cassettes
Ambitious and self-absorbed Parisian actress Regina is intrigued by a mysterious man reposing in a hotel garden. She succeeds in capturing his interest and persuades him to reveal his secret—that he is immortal. As their relationship de-

velops, the pair explore a range of philosophical and social issues. 1946.

Dressing Up for the Carnival RC 51747
by Carol Shields
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
Twenty-two tales involving imagination and the sense of identity. In the title piece, various townspeople are venturing forth on an ordinary business day, their self-images defined by clothing, a vacation tag, an attitude, or an object—a book, a bouquet of flowers, even a baby carriage. Some descriptions of sex. 2000.

The Complete Tales of Washington Irving RC 51748
by Washington Irving
read by Peter Gil
7 cassettes (Reissue)
Sixty-one short stories by the prolific New Yorker Washington Irving (1783–1859), best known for "Rip Van Winkle" and "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow." The volume contains satires, ghost stories, and fables, many of them set in New York City and the Hudson Valley in the early days of Dutch settlement. Introduction by Charles Neider. 1975.

Like Gold Refined: A Prairie Legacy, Volume 4 RC 51897
by Janette Oke
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *A Quiet Strength (RC 49959)*, Virginia and Jonathan now have three children, in addition to Jenny's daughter, Mindy. But changes are on the way, and Virginia must accept that her grandparents can no longer live alone. Unexpectedly Jenny wants Mindy back. For senior high and older readers. 2000.

The Return Journey RC 51898
by Maeve Binchy
read by Barbara Rappaport
1 cassette
Fourteen short stories concerning personal relationships. In "The Return Journey," a daughter returns to her mother's native Irish village. In "The Business Trip," Lena has been in love with her boss for years until she travels with him. 1998.

Bump and Run RC 51970
by Mike Lupica
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Las Vegas wheeler-dealer Jack ("Jammer") Molloy inherits the important half of the New York Hawks football franchise when his estranged father dies. But his conniving twin siblings, the National Football League, and potential buyers oppose his ownership. Jack is soon immersed in the politics and economics of professional sports. Strong language. 2000.

The Girl from Montana RC 52056
by Grace Livingston Hill
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Elizabeth has just buried her brother. Now alone and defenseless, she is confronted by his murderer—who claims to love her. She escapes into the Montana wilderness and runs headlong into a man unlike the rough types she has known. His protection and her strong Christian faith help her survive. 1982.

Shadow of the Watching Star: The First Americans, Volume 8 RC 52294
by William Sarabande
read by John Polk
3 cassettes
As the People wander, hungry and desperate, across a desolate land, their leader, shaman Cha-kwena, travels with the sacred herd of mammoths he has sworn to protect. Cha-kwena is forced to decide where his loyalties lie. Sequel to *The Edge of the World (RC 38618)*. Violence and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Spirit Moon: The First Americans, Volume 11 RC 52297
by William Sarabande
read by John Polk
4 cassettes
As the Ice Age ends, the People, led by Tôrnârssuk, begin a journey to the Great River of the White Whales where they hope to reunite with friendly tribes. Yet Tôrnârssuk foresees a struggle for survival. Sequel to *Time beyond Beginning (RC 52296)*. Violence and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2000.

True Believer RC 52298
by Virginia Euwer Wolff
read by Celeste Lawson
1 cassette
Now fifteen in this sequel to *Make Lemonade (RC 40705)*, LaVaughn clings to her main goal, to attend college. At the same time, she questions her religious beliefs, her friendship with Myrtle and Annie, and why it's so difficult to have a boy friend. For senior high and older readers. 2001.

Listen to the Silence RC 52317
by Marcia Muller
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
While attending a wedding, PI Sharon McCone is informed of her father's death. But what she finds even more shattering is to learn from his papers that she is adopted. In researching her background, Sharon traces her birth parents and confronts an ongoing mystery. Some strong language. 2000.

Out of the Night That Covers Me RC 52438
by Pat Cunningham Devoto
read by MaryBeth Wise
2 cassettes
Alabama, 1950s. Orphan John McMillan, from *My Last Days as Roy Rogers (RC 49036)*, is sent to live with his aunt and abusive sharecropping uncle. But blind Judge Vance and his African American assistant take an interest in John and help him plot an escape. Some violence and some strong language. 2001.

24 Hours RC 52439
by Margaret Mahy
read by Bruce Nelson
1 cassette
When New Zealander Ellis returns to spend the summer before college at home, he runs into an old delinquent school chum. During the next twenty-four hours Ellis shaves his head, gets a tattoo, falls in love, and rescues a kidnapped baby. Some strong language. For senior high readers. 2000.

The Whole Truth RC 52442
by Nancy Pickard
read by Mimi Bederman
2 cassettes
Florida crime author Marie Lightfoot is

attending the trial of child murderer Raymond Raintree when he escapes. While investigating she discovers that the killer had himself been abducted as a youngster. Followed by *Ring of Truth (RC 52443)*. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2000.

Big Stone Gap RC 52742
by Adriana Trigiani
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
Thirty-five-year-old Ave Maria Mulligan, self-proclaimed spinster of Big Stone Gap, Virginia, runs the local pharmacy, works on the rescue squad, and directs the outdoor drama. She thinks life has passed her by until a newly discovered skeleton in her family closet leads to a trip to Italy. 2000.

On the Fringe RC 52745
edited by Donald R. Gallo
read by Kimberly Schraf
2 cassettes
Eleven short stories dealing with high school students who are different and ostracized by most of the other kids. In "WWJD" even a religious girl can be pushed too far. In "Guns for Geeks" an abused boy gets revenge. Some violence and some strong language. For senior high readers. 2001.

Ben, in the World: The Sequel to *The Fifth Child* RC 52749
by Doris Lessing
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
Ben, from *The Fifth Child (RC 27891)*, looks much older than his eighteen years because of his Neanderthal appearance. He has left the Lovatt family to find his place in society, but people are cruel and take advantage of his good nature. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2000.

Brightness Reef: New Uplift Trilogy, Book 1 RC 52764
by David Brin
read by Erin Jones
4 cassettes
Various inhabitants on the banned planet Jijo recount how six diverse cultures have created a peaceful society fearing only discovery by the Five Galaxies. Then a strange starship arrives. Continuation of the Uplift saga begun in *Startide Rising (RC 23715)*. Followed by *Infinity's Shore (RC 52765)*. 1995.

Infinity's Shore: New Uplift Trilogy, Book 2 RC 52765
by David Brin
read by Erin Jones
4 cassettes
In this sequel to *Brightness Reef (RC 52764)*, more starships threaten planet Jijo and its six groups of sapient beings. The illegal settlers are forced to make daunting decisions. Meanwhile the *Streaker* and its dolphin crew seek refuge on Jijo but find a long-hidden secret instead. 1996.

The Darkening Sea: Richard Bolitho Novels, Volume 20 RC 52771
by Alexander Kent
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
1809. Although he wants to retire, Vice Admiral Sir Richard Bolitho accepts his assignment to keep the British shipping lanes open. Napoleon has made a pact with the Americans. Bolitho, along with his nephew Adam, comes to blows with them. Sequel to *Beyond the Reef (RC 52770)*. 1993.

For My Country's Freedom: Richard Bolitho Novels, Volume 21 RC 52772
by Alexander Kent
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
1811. Vice Admiral Sir Richard Bolitho enjoyed a few months at home in Cornwall, England, with his lover, Lady Catherine Somervell. But conflict with the United States is increasing. Captain Adam Bolitho is concerned because his father had deserted to the colonists during the rebellion. Sequel to *The Darkening Sea (RC 52771)*. 1995.

Thunder Voice: Sam Keaton; Legends of Laramie, Book 4 RC 52777
by Sigmund Brouwer
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
Wyoming Territory, 1876. Marshal Sam Keaton is surprised when he finds two Texas rangers poking around in a murdered man's shack. A wealthy young widow from back East thinks there is a connection between the dead man, her dead sister, and a will. Sequel to *Sun Dance (RC 52776)*. 2001.

The Gardens of Covington RC 52824
by Joan Medlicott
read by Terry Hayes Sales
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Ladies of Covington Send Their Love (RC 51224)*, Hannah, Grace, and Amelia continue to enjoy life in the North Carolina foothills. When a developer threatens their peaceful environment, they rally their neighbors to maintain its natural beauty. 2001.

Saints and Villains RC 52842
by Denise Giardina
read by Roy Avers
4 cassettes
Historical novel based on Dietrich Bonhoeffer, a Christian theologian whose convictions caused him to oppose the Nazis. Describes how a failed assassination attempt against Hitler led to Bonhoeffer's imprisonment. Studies the character of a righteous man who acts on his beliefs even at the expense of his life. 1998.

Skinned Alive: Stories RC 52860
by Edmund White
read by Chris Parente
2 cassettes
In this collection of eight stories, White explores themes of gay life such as desire, intimacy, love, and jealousy. Through it all, his characters live under the melancholy spectre of AIDS and the ever-present threat of mortality and grief. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1995.

The Year's Best Science Fiction: Eighteenth Annual Collection RC 52904
edited by Gardner Dozois
read by Roy Avers
7 cassettes
Following a survey of the science fiction market in 2000, Dozois offers twenty-three stories by such authors as Ursula Le Guin, Nancy Kress, Severna Park, Michael Swanwick, Brian Stableford, Stephen Baxter, Charles Stross, and Ian McDonald. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2001.

Brotherhood of the Wolf RC 52922
by David Farland
read by Richard Hauenstein
4 cassettes
Raj Ahten seeks to crush Earth King Gaborn by attacking far-flung cities and fortresses. Giant, inhuman reavers swarm out of the north as both armies weaken in battle. But Gaborn and Ahten must join forces to defeat the monsters. Sequel to *The Runelords: The Sum of All Men (RC 52921)*. Some strong language. 1999.

Mountain of Black Glass: Otherland, Volume 3 RC 52926
by Tad Williams
read by Erik Sandvold
6 cassettes
The virtual explorers trapped in Otherland learned that the land exists to provide cyber-immortality to the Grail Brotherhood. The brotherhood stole essential elements from captured children's psyches, leaving them in a comatose state. Help lies in the Mountain of Black Glass. Sequel to *River of Blue Fire (RC 52925)*. Violence and strong language. 1999.

King's Captain: An Alan Lewrie Naval Adventure RC 53006
by Dewey Lambdin
read by Bruce Huntey
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *Jester's Fortune (RC 53005)*, Naval Commander Alan Lewrie, after the defeat of the Spanish Armada, is promoted to captain of a new warship. But he must first quell the mutiny on his ship and spend time with his wife. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 2000.

Warrior Class RC 53032
by Dale Brown
read by Gary Tipton
4 cassettes
General Patrick McLanahan is ready to battle shady businessman Pavel Kazakov during a mission to rescue a spy from Russia. Kazakov wants to build an oil pipeline through the Balkans. But McLanahan's hands are tied by a new American president, an avowed isolationist. Sequel to *Battle Born (RC 50484)*. Violence and strong language. 2001.

Colonization: Aftershocks RC 53039
by Harry Turtledove
read by Roy Avers
5 cassettes
On Earth, early in the 1960s, the invading Lizards confront far more complex humans than those they have previously engaged. To rule the planet, they must deploy a greater army and superior firepower. Sequel to *Colonization: Down to Earth (RC 51043)*. Descriptions of sex, violence, and strong language. 2001.

Isle of Dogs RC 53045
by Patricia Cornwell
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
The misguided Virginia governor decides to put speed traps everywhere. He begins with the small Chesapeake Bay island of Tangier, but the eccentric natives don't cooperate. Meanwhile police superintendent Judy Hammer and her undercover assistant Andy Brazil chase a female serial killer. Strong language, some descriptions of sex, and some violence. Bestseller 2001.

The Case of the Shoplifter's Shoe
RC 53053
by Erle Stanley Gardner
read by Brian Conn
2 cassettes
Attorney Perry Mason defends Virginia Trent's eccentric Aunt Sarah—a kleptomaniac who is now accused of murder. 1938.

The Case of the Fabulous Fake
RC 53057
by Erle Stanley Gardner
read by Brian Conn
1 cassette (Reissue)
A nameless young woman appears in attorney Perry Mason's office and gives him a retainer for future services. The case later involves embezzlement and murder. 1969.

The Feast of All Saints RC 53112
by Anne Rice
read by Colleen Delany
5 cassettes (Reissue)
New Orleans, 1840s. Marcel and his sister, Marie—non-slave children of a plantation owner and his beautiful mistress—are of European and African heritage. Although their father supports and educates them, the siblings' mixed blood separates them from his world. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1979.

The Victors: An American Family Portrait, Book 7 RC 53143
by Jack Cavanaugh
read by Jonathan Davis
3 cassettes
San Diego, 1941. Through the centuries, the Morgan family's spiritual heritage has waned. However, when Pearl Harbor is attacked, Johnny and Laura Morgan's four children are placed in situations that test their faith and endanger their lives. Sequel to *The Allies (RC 45517)*. 1998.

The Siege of Isfahan RC 53162
by Jean-Christophe Rufin
read by Ted Stoddard
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Abyssinian (RC 49380)*, Jean-Baptiste Poncet, now practicing medicine in Isfahan, Persia, learns that his dear friend Juremi is in peril in Russia. Poncet sets off to rescue Juremi, leaving his wife and daughter behind to endure the attack of the Afghans. 2001.

Naming the Spirits RC 53172
by Lawrence Thornton
read by Jonathan Davis
2 cassettes
In Argentina, a group of young people are driven to the pampas, executed, and buried except for one young woman. She is separated from the others, shot, and left for dead. Disoriented and amnesiac, she wanders until she finds refuge in Buenos Aires. Sequel to *Imagining Argentina (RC 27702)*. Some strong language. 1995.

Trail of the Mountain Man RC 53217
by William W. Johnstone
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
When gold is discovered near the home of Smoke and Sally Jensen, the former gunslinger knows trouble will follow. Hordes of treasure seekers clog the town of No Name, Colorado, forcing Smoke to recruit fellow ex-gunfighters to restore the peace. Some violence and some strong language. 1987.

Spikes RC 53227
by Michael Griffith
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Brian Schwan, former college champion golfer, can't succeed in professional tournaments. His father is disappointed in him, his religious wife wants him to quit and start a family, and his buddies are better players. When Brian finally has a great game everything changes. Some strong language. 2001.

Sputnik Sweetheart RC 53233
by Haruki Murakami
read by Tom Burch
2 cassettes
A young Japanese schoolteacher's heart is captured by aspiring female writer Sumire. But Sumire is infatuated with Miu, her sophisticated businesswoman boss and travel companion. The teacher is bewildered when Miu unexpectedly summons him to a Greek island because Sumire has disappeared. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2001.

Taken RC 53237
by Kathleen George
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
Marina Benedict, suspicious of a man with a baby on the bus, follows him to an abandoned building. After being shot and left for dead, Marina assists in the search for the infant—the son of a rookie baseball player. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2001.

May There Be a Road RC 53244
by Louis L'Amour
read by Richard Hauenstein
2 cassettes
Ten previously uncollected short stories. In the title piece, written in 1960, a young Tibetan chieftain fights enemy soldiers in order to rescue and claim his bride. The tale depicts how tribal peoples oppose the invasion of their mountainous land by the Red Chinese and their superior weapons. Some violence. 2001.

Beautiful Dreamer RC 53245
by Elizabeth Lowell
read by Sharon Murray
2 cassettes
Twenty-five-year-old Hope Gardener is struggling to save her Nevada cattle ranch, but years of drought are taking their toll. Then suddenly Rio, a free-spirited stranger, arrives and offers to help find a well on her land. He also steals her heart. Explicit descriptions of sex and strong language. 2001.

The Tin Collectors RC 53246
by Stephen J. Cannell
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
When LAPD Detective Shane Scully kills another cop in self-defense, beautiful Alexa Hamilton of Internal Affairs prosecutes him. But while trying to clear his name, Scully uncovers a conspiracy among politicians, land developers, and his own department. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2001.

Fast Women RC 53247
by Jennifer Crusie
read by Jill Fox
3 cassettes
Sisters-in-law Nell, Suze, and Margie are looking for more meaningful lives. Along the way, Nell finds work at a detective agency, Margie worries about a missing husband, and Suze leaves hers. They also become involved in dognapping, murder, arson, embezzlement, and

family cover-ups. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2001.

The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants RC 53252
by Ann Brashares
read by Ann Hodapp
2 cassettes
Four fifteen-year-olds, "Bridget the athlete, Lena the beauty, Tibby the rebel, and Carmen...the one with the bad temper," have been friends since childhood. During this first summer apart, they share a pair of used jeans that magically fits each of them perfectly and helps them through tough times. For senior high readers. 2001.

Charming Lily RC 53254
by Fern Michaels
read by Sharon Murray
2 cassettes
Matt Starr of Natchez, Mississippi, had left his fiancée, Lily Harper, at the altar ten years ago, and she's dumbfounded when he does it again. But Matt's friend Dennis suspects foul play, and, guided by Lily's newfound psychic powers, they set out to find Matt. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2001.

Nobody's Angel RC 53255
by Karen Robards
read by Ann Hodapp
2 cassettes
The Carolinas, 1769. Susannah Redmon runs her preacher father's household after her mother's death. She buys an indentured servant, but is dismayed to see Ian Connelly transform into a desirable man. Ian has secrets of his own and soon falls in love. Explicit descriptions of sex. 1992.

Morning RC 53257
by W.D. Wetherell
read by John Polk
3 cassettes
Interwoven strands tell the story of Alec Brown's efforts to understand his father, recently released from prison, and the crime that put him there. In 1954, during television's infancy, Alec's dad murdered his morning talk show cohost—on camera. Strong language, some explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. 2001.

The Lathe of Heaven RC 53261
by Ursula K. Le Guin
read by Alec Volz
2 cassettes (Reissue)
When George Orr realizes that his dreams produce an alternate reality, he is so distraught that he consults a psychiatrist. After a few sessions, Dr. Haber wants to manipulate George's dreams to solve the world's political, environmental, and population problems. Some strong language. 1971.

Nebula Awards Showcase 2001: The Year's Best SF and Fantasy Chosen by the Science Fiction and Fantasy Writers of America RC 53263
edited by Robert Silverberg
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Thirty-fifth anthology of the best works of science fiction and fantasy writers. Includes Ted Chiang's novella *Story of Your Life*, Mary A. Turzillo's novelette *Mars Is No Place for Children*, Leslie What's short story "The Cost of Doing Business," and an excerpt from Octavia E. Butler's novel *Parable of the Talents (RC 48070)*. 2001.

Son of the Shadows: The Sevenwaters Trilogy, Book 2 RC 53288
by Juliet Marillier
read by Gabriella Cavallero
4 cassettes
This sequel to *Daughter of the Forest (RC 53155)* continues the saga of Sorcha, whose courage and love broke the magic spell that turned her six brothers into swans. Now Sorcha's daughter Liadan embarks on a journey to fulfill the destiny of the Sevenwaters clan. Some descriptions of sex and some violence. Bestseller 2001.

The Best American Short Stories, 2001: Selected from U.S. and Canadian Magazines RC 53290
edited by Barbara Kingsolver
read by David Hartley-Margolin
4 cassettes
Twenty tales that are "pieces of truth" offer "a new understanding of the world." Annette Sanford's "Nobody Listens When I Talk" captures a sixteen-year-old's feelings one summer. Marisa Silver describes a young couple's reactions to a carjacking in "What I Saw from Where I Stood." Some strong language. 2001.

Blood and Gold; or, The Story of Marius: The Vampire Chronicles RC 53297
by Anne Rice
read by David Hartley-Margolin
4 cassettes
Marius reveals the secrets of his two-thousand-year existence—from his birth in Roman times through the unfolding of European history to his current circumstances. Discusses his initiation as a vampire, his conquests, his triumphs, and some regrets. Some violence. Bestseller 2001.

Portrait in Sepia RC 53300
by Isabel Allende
read by Gabriella Cavallero
3 cassettes
Eliza Sommers's granddaughter, Aurora del Valle, continues the generational saga begun in *Daughter of Fortune (RC 48869)*. Aurora recounts the scandal surrounding her birth in San Francisco's Chinatown, her upbringing by paternal grandmother Paulina del Valle, her return to Chile, and her marriage to Diego Domínguez. Some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2001.

The Blue Last: A Richard Jury Mystery RC 53302
by Martha Grimes
read by Bob Askey
3 cassettes
Superintendent Richard Jury of Scotland Yard is asked by a dying colleague to investigate the possibility that babies were switched during the London blitz. Jury and his friend Melrose Plant uncover two intertwined, wealthy families; a duplicitous nanny; and a pair of precocious, endangered children. Some strong language. 2001.

Austerlitz RC 53308
by W.G. Sebald
read by Ken Kliban
2 cassettes
A discussion of architectural history in 1967 in the Antwerp, Belgium, train station initiates a tenuous friendship between the unnamed speaker and the title character. During encounters over the next thirty years, Austerlitz gradually reveals his complex identity as a child of Holocaust victims who was raised by Welsh Protestants. Bestseller 2001.

Impulse RC 53310
by Catherine Coulter
read by Michele Schaeffer
3 cassettes
From her deceased mother's journals, Rafaella Holland learns that her real father is a crooked munitions dealer who seduced and abandoned her mother years earlier. Rafaella's desire for revenge takes her to the gangster's private Caribbean island and into the arms of Marcus Devlin. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2001.

True Justice RC 53312
by Robert K. Tanenbaum
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
Assistant D.A. Butch Karp and his wife, Marlene Ciampi—last seen in *Act of Revenge (RC 49010)*—are handling separate cases of infanticide. A series of deaths involving newborns engages the public's attention, but the two lawyers try to rise above politics and public opinion to obtain justice. Violence and strong language. 2000.

Pawing through the Past RC 53314
by Rita Mae Brown and
Sneaky Pie Brown
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
As the twentieth reunion of Crozet, Virginia, high school class of 1980 approaches, four members are ruthlessly murdered. Postmistress Mary "Harry" Haristeen searches among the survivors for someone with a grudge. Joining her are her cat, Mrs. Murphy, and her corgi, Tee Tucker. Some violence. 2000.

A King's Ransom RC 53317
by James Grippando
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
When businessman Matthew Rey is kidnapped during a trip to Colombia, his young Miami attorney son, Nick, struggles to raise the ransom. The insurance company balks at paying an abduction policy, his own law firm deceives him, and the FBI refuses to intervene. Violence and strong language. 2001.

Cause Celeb RC 53323
by Helen Fielding
read by Corrie James
3 cassettes
Satire from author of *Bridget Jones's Diary (RC 46267)* about London's rich and famous. Publicist Rosie Richardson leaves her shallow but gorgeous lover Oliver Marchant for refugee work in Africa. When famine hits she returns to England to arrange a celebrity-backed emergency effort. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Loving Pedro Infante RC 53337
by Denise Chávez
read by Jacinda Bronaugh
2 cassettes
One of Tere's favorite pastimes is watching black and white reruns of Mexican film star Pedro Infante at the El Colón movie theater, in a small town near El Paso. The problem is that her married lover, Lucio, doesn't compare favorably with her idol, Pedro. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2001.

The Birthright: Song of Acadia, Book 3
RC 53342
by Janette Oke and T. Davis Bunn
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Sacred Shore (RC 52083)*, the daughters of Catherine and Louise, after learning their true heritage, become like sisters. Nicole accepts the invitation of Lord Charles Harrow to return to England as his heir. Anne marries, but many heart-wrenching events will also take her to England. 2001.

The Nonesuch RC 53345
by Georgette Heyer
read by Vanessa Maroney
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Sir Waldo Hawkridge, the most talked-about bachelor in London society, inherits a Yorkshire estate. The legacy changes his life and leads him to a most surprising choice of a bride. Foreword by Mary Jo Putney. 1962.

Woodcuts of Women RC 53346
by Dagoberto Gilb
read by Gary Telles
1 cassette
Ten tales of longing, lust, love, relations between men and women, and Mexican American identity. "Shout" portrays the tensions between a couple with three little boys living in a cramped apartment where the husband clings destructively to his macho self-image. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2001.

Cruzatte and Maria: A Gabriel Du Pré Mystery RC 53351
by Peter Bowen
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
Métis Indian fiddler Gabriel Du Pré agrees, on his daughter Maria's insistence, to advise a documentary film crew researching the Lewis and Clark expedition. But not everyone in Montana is pleased with the outsiders who they feel are destroying their way of life. Strong language and some violence. 2001.

All of Me: A Voluptuous Tale RC 53370
by Venise Berry
read by Saidah Arrika Ekulona
2 cassettes
Successful African American television reporter Serpentine Williamson, depressed about being overweight, is hospitalized after a suicide attempt. Realizing that her weight does not determine who she is helps her accept herself and renew her self-confidence. ALA Black Caucus Award. 2000.

Passage RC 53373
by Connie Willis
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
5 cassettes
Dr. Joanna Lander, a psychologist researching near-death experiences, has a pop-writer nemesis, Maurice Mandrake, who fabricates many of his findings. When neurologist Richard Wright begins using a drug to simulate the "tunnel of light," Joanna volunteers repeatedly—with horrifying results. 2001.

Everyday People RC 53375
by Stewart O'Nan
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Interconnected vignettes about an African American family whose Pittsburgh neighborhood is threatened by a new freeway. Chris is in a wheelchair after an accident, ex-con Eugene is a born-again Christian, and father Harold conceals his bisexuality while his wife

wonders where their love went. Explicit descriptions of sex, violence, and strong language. 2001.

Devil's Claw RC 53377
by J.A. Jance
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
A week before her wedding in Cochise County, Arizona, sheriff Joanna Brady is inundated with personal problems and crime. First her elderly neighbor dies suspiciously. Then a local teen disappears and the girl's mother—a newly released convict—is murdered. Joanna discovers more secrets as preparations for the big event continue. Some violence. 2000.

The Peacemakers: An American Family Portrait, Book 8 RC 53378
by Jack Cavanaugh
read by Jonathan Davis
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Victors (RC 53143)*, Travis and Paige, the children of Nat and Allegra Morgan, become involved in the Vietnam War. Travis, unwillingly, is sent to battle. Paige becomes a protester and, for a time, seems to lose her faith. Yet it is faith that ultimately sustains them. 1999.

The Whale's Footprints RC 53386
by Rick Boyer
read by J.P. Linton
2 cassettes
Doc and Mary Adams are entertaining their son Jack, a whale researcher, and his roommate Andy Cunningham at their Cape Cod cottage. When Andy is discovered dead, Jack becomes the main suspect. Some violence and some strong language. 1988.

The Green Ripper RC 53390
by John D. MacDonald
read by Richard Davidson
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Detective Travis McGee, aging and mellowing, falls in love with Gretel Howard. When she dies suddenly of a devastating fever, McGee launches a vengeful investigation that leads to a sadistic religious cult. 1994 introduction by Carl Hiaasen. Some violence and some strong language. 1979.

The Moon Is Down RC 53392
by John Steinbeck
read by Bill Wallace
1 cassette (Reissue)
Steinbeck's tale describes life in an anonymous, peace-loving European village after it is invaded by the Germans in World War II. Although the population includes traitors and collaborators, the patriots prevail by destroying the enemy's morale. 1942.

Adrian Mole: The Cappuccino Years RC 53397
by Sue Townsend
read by George Holmes
2 cassettes
Adrian resumes his diary in 1997, commenting on his problems and those of England. Now thirty, Adrian is a single father, chef at a fashionable restaurant of British cuisine, and still longing for Pandora Braithwaite, his first love. Companion to *Adrian Mole: The Lost Years (RC 46669)*. Strong language. 1999.

The Lion's Share RC 53403
by Robert Campbell
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes
Jimmy Flannery, Chicago politician and sewer inspector, inherits a house from

his former mentor, Chips Delvin. He also discovers a dead prostitute and a blackmail scheme at the same time that he is offered a promotion in the Democratic party. Some violence and some strong language. 1996.

A Group of One RC 53406
by Rachna Gilmore
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Fifteen-year-old Tara Mehta's life is turned upside down when her grandmother visits from India. Naniji disapproves of the family's Canadian lifestyle and feminist mother. But Tara also learns of her heritage and Naniji's involvement in Gandhi's peace movement. Some strong language. For junior and senior high readers. 2001.

The Hour before Midnight RC 53412
by Velda Johnston
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette (Reissue)
American artist Judith Dunne is living in an apartment on the estate where Cecily, her cousin, was murdered. The killer is attracted to Judith because of her resemblance to Cecily. So Judith soon becomes ensnared in the murder mystery. Some violence. 1978.

The Pirate RC 53413
by Harold Robbins
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes (Reissue)
1970s. The son of a Jew became the son of an Arab prince in a strange twist of fate in 1933. Now that prince, a business tycoon, is involved in skyjackings, the Middle East crisis, and the drug scene. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1974.

A Groom with a View: A Jane Jeffry Mystery RC 53423
by Jill Churchill
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Jane Jeffry agrees to plan a businesswoman's wedding at the old family hunting lodge. Along with best friend Shelley and boyfriend Mel, a policeman, she organizes the help and eccentric relatives in the spooky old place. But then a murder occurs and Jane seeks suspects. Some strong language. 1999.

He Sees You When You're Sleeping RC 53426
by Mary Higgins Clark and
Carol Higgins Clark
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
Sterling Brooks has been waiting to enter heaven for forty-six years. He finally gets a chance to redeem his life by returning to Earth and helping someone. He chooses Marissa, a seven-year-old desperately missing her father and grandmother, who are in the Witness Protection Program. Bestseller 2001.

The Price of Passion RC 53432
by Susan Sizemore
read by Ann Hodapp
2 cassettes
As a young woman, Cleopatra Fraser was seduced by her father's archaeology assistant while in Egypt. Ten years later, he reappears in Scotland as Dr. Azrael David Evans. Cleo rediscovers passion and conflict as she helps him search for stolen treasure. Explicit descriptions of sex and some violence. 2001.

The Dutch: A Milan Jacovich Mystery
RC 53433
by Les Roberts
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Cleveland private investigator Milan Jacovich is hired by the father of Ellen Carnine to ascertain why the successful computer Web designer committed suicide. Jacovich's discovery that the unattractive woman bookmarked certain Internet sites suggests to him that she was murdered. Some violence and some strong language. 2001.

Bad News RC 53434
by Donald E. Westlake
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes
Professional thief John Dortmunder, last seen in *What's the Worst That Could Happen? (RC 46566)*, gets involved in a gambling casino scam. Little Feather Redcorn and her accomplices switch bodies from graveyards to prove that she's the last member of her tribe and is entitled to millions. Some strong language. 2001.

Funeral in Blue RC 53435
by Anne Perry
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
William and Hester Monk are looking into the strange behavior of Hester's sister-in-law. They have barely begun that investigation when the murders of two women capture their attention. One of the victims is the wife of Hester's colleague, Dr. Kristian Beck; the other is an artist's model. Connections between the events prove elusive. 2001.

The Devil's Footprint RC 53436
by Victor O'Reilly
read by Fred Major
3 cassettes
Irish counterterrorist Hugo Fitzduane, last seen in *Rules of the Hunt (RC 43065)*, discovers that his archenemy, female Japanese revolutionary Reiko Oshima, is still alive and controls a renegade Mexican state. When Reiko kidnaps Fitzduane's pregnant wife, he goes after her. Descriptions of sex, violence, and strong language. 1996.

Properties of Light: A Novel of Love, Betrayal, and Quantum Physics
RC 53442
by Rebecca Goldstein
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
Naive young physicist Justin Childs collaborates with Professor Samuel Mallach and his daughter, Dana, on research to reconcile quantum mechanics with the theory of relativity. Justin and Dana become lovers, but then betray each other professionally. Justin's anger persists beyond his death, and his ghost haunts Dana for years. 2000.

Cozy: A Stanley Hastings Mystery
RC 53445
by Parnell Hall
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Private detective Stanley Hastings and his wife, Alice, vacation at a New England bed-and-breakfast while their son is at camp. Unfortunately, a beautiful blond flirt is poisoned at dinner, and Stanley is compelled to assist the inept local police, who arrest the wrong suspect. 2001.

My Dear Duchess RC 53456
by Marion Chesney
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Henry Wright would like to marry Clarissa Sayers. However, Clarissa's mother wants her to marry a titled gentleman. Clarissa's younger sister Frederica, still relegated to the schoolroom at seventeen, sets her sights on Henry. Then Henry inherits a title, but risks forfeiting a fortune unless he marries swiftly. 1979.

Separation of Power RC 53501
by Vince Flynn
read by Jack Fox
3 cassettes
CIA agent Mitch Rapp, last seen in *The Third Option (RC 53036)*, ensures Dr. Irene Kennedy's nomination to the agency's top post despite corrupt politicians' objections. He is sent to Iraq to destroy a nuclear weapons factory hidden under a Baghdad hospital. Some violence and some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Springwater RC 53505
by Linda Lael Miller
read by Colleen Delany
2 cassettes
1870. Evangeline Keating's husband, John, died leaving her and her daughter, Abigail, penniless. Thus Evangeline accepts John's cousin's proposal and travels to Springwater, Montana Territory. Her fiancé, however, is on a six-month trip and has sent his handsome partner to care for her and Abigail. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1998.

Springwater Seasons RC 53506
by Linda Lael Miller
read by Colleen Delany
3 cassettes
Stories of four women who come to Springwater, Montana Territory, in the late 1800s. Rachel is the town's first schoolteacher, Savannah is part owner of the saloon, Miranda is an unwed mother, and Jessica takes over her brother's bankrupt newspaper. Each finds the man of her dreams. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1999.

A Springwater Christmas RC 53507
by Linda Lael Miller
read by Colleen Delany
2 cassettes
1882. Jack McLaughlin is a prodigal son returning to Springwater, Montana Territory. He hides his identity until he's ready to tell his parents—Jacob and June-bug McCaffrey. Meanwhile Jack takes an interest in Olivia Darling, owner of the boarding house. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1999.

A Rogue in Texas RC 53509
by Lorraine Heath
read by Susan McInerney
2 cassettes
1865. Englishman Grayson Rhodes travels to America expecting to make his fortune. Instead he ends up working in a Texas cotton field belonging to Abbie Westland, a widow with three children. Followed by *Never Love a Cowboy (RC 53510)*. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1999.

Never Love a Cowboy RC 53510
by Lorraine Heath
read by Susan McInerney
2 cassettes
1865. Harrison Bainbridge left England

and came to Texas seeking his fortune and a scandal-free life. He did not expect to fall in love with the saloon-keeper's daughter, or have her finance his cattle drive. Sequel to *A Rogue in Texas (RC 53509)*. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2000.

A Grand Man RC 53521
by Catherine Cookson
read by Anne Flosnik
1 cassette (Reissue)
Eight-year-old Mary Ann Shaughnessy's father is the man she adores although he drinks too much. Her faith in him is finally justified when, with help, he finds work on the land instead of England's Tyne River docks. Prequel to *The Lord and Mary Ann (RC 53522)*. 1954.

The Lord and Mary Ann RC 53522
by Catherine Cookson
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Plucky nine-year-old Mary Ann Shaughnessy assumes responsibility for keeping her father from drinking when the family moves to a small farm and he accepts a job as a farmhand for a cranky old man. Sequel to *A Grand Man (RC 53521)*. 1956.

The Devil and Mary Ann RC 53523
by Catherine Cookson
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes (Reissue)
To secure a job for her father on her benefactor's farm, nine-year-old Mary Ann Shaughnessy goes to boarding school. Once there she encounters loneliness, acquires enemies, and receives tearstained letters from her brother hinting that their father is having an affair. Sequel to *The Lord and Mary Ann (RC 53522)*. 1958.

Love and Mary Ann RC 53524
by Catherine Cookson
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Mary Ann Shaughnessy, an irrepressible English country lass with three years of boarding school behind her, begins to discover the mystery, wonder, and woes of love. Sequel to *The Devil and Mary Ann (RC 53523)*. 1961.

Life and Mary Ann RC 53525
by Catherine Cookson
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes (Reissue)
At seventeen Mary Ann Shaughnessy still loves her childhood sweetheart, Corny Boyle. He goes to America, however, apparently leaving the field wide open for Tony, the grandson of Mary Ann's benefactor. Sequel to *Love and Mary Ann (RC 53524)*. 1962.

Marriage and Mary Ann RC 53526
by Catherine Cookson
read by Anne Flosnik
1 cassette (Reissue)
Mary Ann Shaughnessy, the irrepressible child of Tyneside, is to marry Corny Boyle, her childhood sweetheart, in five weeks. Everything should be lovely, but few things in life go smoothly for the tempestuous Shaughnessy family. Sequel to *Life and Mary Ann (RC 53525)*. 1964.

Mary Ann's Angels RC 53527
by Catherine Cookson
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Eight years have passed since Mary Ann Shaughnessy married her childhood sweetheart, Corny Boyle, and they are the proud but bewildered parents of six-year-old twins. Real trouble lies ahead for the family as the two disagree on how

to handle the unruly children. Sequel to *Marriage and Mary Ann (RC 53526)*. 1965.

Mary Ann and Bill RC 53528
by Catherine Cookson
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes (Reissue)
The concluding story about the indomitable Mary Ann Shaughnessy of Tyneside, now a proper wife and mother of scrappy twins. But she must yet face the new terror of a puppy, a husband still susceptible to temptation, and growing pains with the children. Sequel to *Mary Ann's Angels (RC 53527)*. 1967.

All the Dead Were Strangers RC 53529
by Ethan Black
read by Gary Telles
3 cassettes
A friend of New York City police detective Conrad Voort cryptically gives him five names before disappearing. Most have died in accidents, and all are connected to terrorists. One of the group, Dr. Jill Towne, is still alive. Sequel to *Irresistible (RC 51519)*. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2001.

A Capital Holiday RC 53530
by Janet Dailey
read by Susan McInerney
2 cassettes
Beautiful Jocelyn Wakefield, the president's daughter, disguises herself for an early morning walk without security. She runs into reporter Grady Tucker, his dog, and elderly Obediah Melchior, who looks suspiciously like Santa Claus. Grady fakes an injury in order to become better acquainted. Bestseller 2001.

The Nautical Chart RC 53531
by Arturo Pérez-Reverte
read by Mark Ashby
3 cassettes
Spain, 1990s. An antique nautical chart introduces two unlikely partners, Manuel Coy of the Merchant Marine and Tánger Soto of the Madrid Naval Museum. They use the map to search for a sunken, seventeenth-century Jesuit ship and its presumed treasure. Strong language, some descriptions of sex, and some violence. Bestseller 2000.

A Health unto His Majesty RC 53533
by Jean Plaidy
read by Corrie James
2 cassettes
With the restoration of the crown to Charles Stuart, the whole of Britain is elated, and so begins a period of licentiousness after years of Puritan rule, plague, and war. Charles's life is revealed through the eyes of his wife, Catherine of Braganza, and his mistress, Lady Castlemaine. 1956.

Paradise Interrupted RC 53536
by Penny Mickelbury
read by Barbara Pinolini
2 cassettes
African American lawyer and security consultant Carole Ann Gibson and her business partner, Jake Graham, of Washington, D.C., are hired to improve the communication systems of a small Caribbean island. Once there Carole Ann encounters drug dealers, suffers equipment losses, and learns of corruption—including murder. Some violence and some strong language. 2001.

Running Blind RC 53541
by Lee Child
read by Christopher Walker
3 cassettes
Jack Reacher, a former military cop, is accused of murdering several women he knew in the service who were involved in sexual harassment suits. When he is cleared, the FBI forces Reacher to assist with the case. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2000.

A Gift of Sanctuary RC 53542
by Candace Robb
read by Vanessa Maroney
2 cassettes
Wales, 1370. Captain Owen Archer has been dispatched to his native land by the duke of Lancaster to inspect the fortresses and raise a regiment of bowmen. With Archer is his friend Geoffrey Chaucer, who helps him solve a murder and uncover a plot of treason. Violence. 1998.

Ascendance: The Second Demonwars Saga, Book 1 RC 53545
by R.A. Salvatore
read by Michael Scherer
3 cassettes
Following *Mortalis (RC 52556)*, Jilseponie "Pony" Wyndon, the outlaw hero of the Demon War, is considering marriage to King Danube. Unbeknownst to Pony, elves are raising her son Aydrian, who she believes is dead. He grows up —hungering for fame and revenge. Some violence. 2001.

Who's Afraid of Virginia Ham? RC 53547
by Phyllis Richman
read by Faith Potts
2 cassettes
Restaurant critic Chas Wheatley, last seen in *Murder on the Gravy Train (RC 49084)*, despises Ringo Laurenge, the newsroom's recently hired reporter, like everyone else at the paper. Chas uncovers some disturbing information about her nemesis's past—just before Ringo collapses at the Thanksgiving office party. Some strong language. 2001.

All the King's Men RC 53553
by Robert Penn Warren
read by Steven Carpenter
4 cassettes
Restored edition, reconstructed from the author's original typescript, recreates the world of a corrupt southern politician of the 1920s and 1930s. Country boy Willie (Stark) Talos rises to become governor of his state only to be brought down by his personal failings. 2001 editorial afterword by Noel Polk. Strong language. Pulitzer Prize. 1946.

Fleeced: A Regan Reilly Mystery RC 53563
by Carol Higgins Clark
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
Los Angeles private investigator Regan Reilly is visiting her parents and lover in New York City. While there, she is hired to solve the mysterious murders of two retired jewelers. When the men were about to donate diamonds to their run-down residential club, they were killed and robbed. 2001.

Flesh and Blood RC 53587
by Jonathan Kellerman
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
Alex Delaware is embarrassed to recognize Lauren Teague, a former patient, as the stripper at a bachelor party. When her body is found in a dumpster, he is determined, against all advice, to find

her murderer. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Best-seller 2001.

Black Mirror RC 53590
by Nancy Werlin
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Sixteen-year-old Frances Leventhal and her brother, Daniel, attend their preppy boarding school on a need-based scholarship. When Daniel dies of a drug overdose, Frances, feeling guilty, joins the charity organization he supported. What she learns makes her question her sibling's death. Some strong language. For senior high readers. 2001.

Death by the Light of the Moon RC 53592
by Joan Hess
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Bookstore owner Claire Malloy and her teenage daughter, Caron, travel to the Louisiana bayou for Caron's grandmother's eightieth birthday celebration. But the matriarch drowns during the night, and Claire tries to sort out her deceased husband's eccentric relatives to find the culprit. 1992.

Dreams Die First RC 53593
by Harold Robbins
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Vietnam veteran becomes publisher of slick pornographic magazines and finds his hedonistic life complicated by organized crime, a black male model, and a Chicano accountant. Explicit descriptions of sex, violence, and strong language. 1977.

***The Hell Born* and *The Iron Jehu* RC 53595**
by Ray Hogan
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
In *The Hell Born*, vicious Rufe Houston escapes from prison and warden Ben Skerrit vows to bring him back dead. In *The Iron Jehu*, Sam Remington's last trip as a driver for the Valley Stage Lines is doomed when the dreaded Vaughn gang ambushes the coach. Some violence and some strong language. 1979.

Hearts RC 53597
by Hilma Wolitzer
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Linda Reismann, widowed at twenty-six after a six-week marriage, and her sullen thirteen-year-old stepdaughter, Robin, travel to the Midwest to deposit Robin with paternal relatives whom the girl has never met. The kinfolk are unable to take Robin, so the travelers continue to the West coast. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1980.

Never Dream of Dying RC 53598
by Raymond Benson
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
James Bond tracks down the blind leader of a terrorist group, the Union, in France. There he meets a beautiful actress/model named Tylyn and falls in love. But Tylyn's jealous ex-husband is also connected to the clandestine organization. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2001.

Gunman's Rhapsody RC 53603
by Robert B. Parker
read by Chuck Benson
1 cassette
A novel about the Earp brothers and their womenfolk, beginning in 1879 when they move to Tombstone, Arizona. Wyatt's falling in love with the sheriff's lady, Josie, is the catalyst for his subsequent problems leading to the shoot-out at the O.K. Corral. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 2001.

Odd Girl Out RC 53604
by Elizabeth Jane Howard
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Anne and Edmund Cornhill, a happily married British couple, suddenly find their lives in havoc when Arabella, a young and beautiful distant relative of Edmund's, comes to stay with them. Some strong language. 1972.

Triple Pursuit: A Father Dowling Mystery RC 53606
by Ralph McInerny
read by John Horton
2 cassettes
Former brothers-in-law Jack Gallagher and Austin Rooney fight over the attentions of Maud Gorman at the St. Hilary Senior Center. Later Gallagher confesses to the murder of another seductress, attorney Aggie Rossner. Father Dowling and police captain Phil Keegan investigate this and the murder of a motel maid. Some strong language. 2001.

Song of the Earth RC 53607
by Alexander Cordell
read by George Holmes
3 cassettes (Reissue)
A Welsh coal mining family struggles to stay together as miners organize against exploitation by English mine owners in the mid-nineteenth century. The courage of men fighting for dignity and justice is tested as love of family is pitted against loyalty to a striking union. Some strong language. 1969.

In Cuba I Was a German Shepherd RC 53608
by Ana Menéndez
read by Gabriella Cavallero
1 cassette
Eleven tales about postrevolutionary Cubans set in Miami and Havana. In the title piece, four elderly men—two Cubans and two Dominicans—meet in a Miami park each morning to play dominos. Máximo, the smaller Cuban, tells jokes that reveal his heartbreak. Some strong language. 2001.

River of Fire RC 53610
by Mary Jo Putney
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
England, 1817. Captain Kenneth Wilding (Lord Kimball) returns from the Napoleonic wars to an estate ruined by his late father. Needing cash, he agrees to spy on the household of artist Sir Anthony Seaton in order to uncover a murderer. But he falls for the artist's bohemian daughter. Explicit descriptions of sex. 1996.

John Henry Days RC 53611
by Colson Whitehead
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
A cynical freelance African American journalist attends a festival in West Virginia commemorating black folk legend John Henry, who died pitting his strength against a machine. There he encounters a melange of eccentrics and opportunists, including a woman selling

her obsessed father's John Henry memorabilia collection. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 2001.

Oceanspace RC 53612
by Allen M. Steele
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
In 2011 Joe Niedzwiecki and Peter Lipscomb are scientists aboard the first manned undersea research station, situated hundreds of feet under the Atlantic's surface. When Joe films a sea serpent Pete sends for his wife, Judith, a marine biologist, and his niece, Andie, to join them. Some violence and some strong language. 2000.

The Devil Went Down to Austin RC 53627
by Rick Riordan
read by Robert Sams
3 cassettes
Private investigator Tres Navarre, last seen in *The Last King of Texas (RC 51477)*, seeks to clear his paraplegic brother, Garrett, of his business partner's murder. Garrett's software company is failing and a shady operator is threatening a hostile takeover when the killing occurs. Violence and strong language. 2001.

Die Trying RC 53628
by Lee Child
read by Christopher Walker
3 cassettes
Drifter Jack Reacher is kidnapped alongside FBI agent Holly Johnson, daughter of the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. They wind up in a Montana militia compound run by Beau Borken. While the Bureau and Holly's father work to rescue them, the two plan their own escape. Violence and strong language. 1998.

One Door Away from Heaven RC 53648
by Dean Koontz
read by Michele Schaeffer
4 cassettes
Temporarily down on her luck, Micky (Michelina) Bellsong meets a spunky handicapped nine-year-old neighbor, Leilani Klonk. Micky is drawn to protect Leilani from her stepfather, Preston Maddoc, an acquitted murderer, who believes that Leilani's destiny involves aliens and UFOs. Bestseller 2001.

The Passion of Artemisia RC 53658
by Susan Vreeland
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
Fictional treatment of the post-Renaissance Italian painter Artemisia Gentileschi (1593–1653). Begins with the pivotal event in her life: her humiliation at the trial of Agostino Tassi, her father's fellow artist, for the rape of Artemisia. Follows her successful career and stormy life. Some descriptions of sex. 2002.

Time of the Singing of Birds RC 53682
by Grace Livingston Hill
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Lieutenant Barney Vance is sent home to his late mother's farm to recuperate from his war injuries. While he's waiting for his next assignment, childhood friends—Hortense, a forward divorcée, and Sunny, a young schoolteacher—vie for his affections. 1944.

The President's Lady: A Novel about Rachel and Andrew Jackson RC 53691
by Irving Stone
read by Nanette Savard
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Rachel Donelson Robards first meets

lawyer Andrew Jackson when she is separated from her abusive husband, Lewis. After they fall in love they travel to the Spanish territories to obtain her divorce in order to marry. When war hero Jackson later ventures into politics, his wife's scandalous past creates a crisis. 1951.

Players RC 53700
by Jilly Cooper
read by Vanessa Maroney
4 cassettes
Four ruthless, powerful men vie for control of England's Corinium Television: Declan O'Hara, the star talk-show host; Tony Baddingham, chairman and managing director of Corinium; Rupert Campbell-Black, minister of sports and Tony's nemesis; and Cameron Cook, an American television executive now working for the corporation. Explicit descriptions of sex and strong language. 1988.

The Inheritors RC 53701
by Harold Robbins
read by Michael Russotto
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Stephen Gaunt, the whiz kid of Sinclair Broadcasting, mixes his programming with girls whom he nicknames Green-eyed Girl, Blonde Girl, and Chinese Girl. Darling Girl causes him trouble, but he finally becomes a twosome with his last love, Lawyer Girl. Explicit descriptions of sex and strong language. 1969.

Tropisms RC 53730
by Nathalie Sarraute
read by Gabriella Cavallero
1 cassette
A series of "movements"—lean, disembodied vignettes—captured in words by the experimental twentieth-century French writer of the "new novel." Sarraute claims that this first book of prose poems contains in germinal form all the raw material she continued to develop in later works. Translated from the 1957 French edition. 1963.

Warning Signs RC 53776
by Stephen White
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
Boulder, Colorado, psychologist Alan Gregory faces an ethical dilemma when a patient divulges confidential information about her potentially homicidal teenage son. Meanwhile Gregory's attorney wife, Lauren, defends police detective Lucy Tanner, who's accused of murdering the district attorney. It soon appears the cases are connected. Strong language and some violence. 2002.

Books for Children

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including animals, geography, nature, mystery, sports, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Cassettes Nonfiction

On Time: From Seasons to Split Seconds
RC 51510
by Gloria Skurzynski
read by Dan Bloom
1 cassette
A concise history of the way humans have measured time. Discusses units of time—years, seasons, months, weeks, and hours. Traces records of time—calendars and clocks—from the earliest mechanical versions to the latest atomic models. For grades 3-6. 2000.

Rolling Along: The Story of Taylor and His Wheelchair RC 51513
by Jamee Riggio Heelan
read by Lindsay Ellison
1 cassette
Taylor describes the difficulties of having cerebral palsy. He tells about learning to use a wheelchair in therapy and explains how it makes him more independent. He discusses what makes some buildings more accessible for people in wheelchairs. For grades K-3. 2000.

The Wigwam and the Longhouse
RC 51517
by Charlotte Yue and David Yue
read by Lindsay Ellison
1 cassette
Describes the people who inhabited the eastern woodlands area before Europeans came. Discusses customs that caused the Chippewa, Abenaki, and most Algonquian tribes to build wigwams and why the Huron, Delaware, and other Iroquoians preferred longhouses. For grades 4-7. 2000.

England RC 51525
by Maree Lister and Marti Sevier
read by Anne Hancock
1 cassette
An introductory survey of England's geography, history, economy, government, arts, language, literature, culture, lifestyle, food, and people. Discusses issues and conflicts that have made the country unique, explores its relations with the United States, and provides web sites and references for further study. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Paraguay RC 51651
by Leslie Jermyn
read by MaryBeth Wise
1 cassette
Describes the geography and history, people and lifestyle, arts and leisure of this country in the heart of South America. Paraguay is the only country in the Western Hemisphere to have an aboriginal (native Indian) language as an official tongue. For grades 5-8. 2000.

Daughters of Eve: Strong Women of the Bible RC 51878
by Lillian Hammer Ross
read by Anne Hancock
1 cassette
Stories of biblical heroines, including

Miriam, Zipporah, Ruth, Abigail, Huldah, and Esther, who use their wits, inner strength, and faith to overcome challenges. For grades 4-7. Bestseller 2000.

Girls: A History of Growing Up Female in America RC 51880
by Penny Colman
read by Susan McInerney
1 cassette
A chronology of girls' roles in the United States from precolonial times through the twentieth century. Recalls the lives of many young women—Native Americans, colonists, slaves, immigrants, and pioneers—based on their own accounts in journals, letters, and slave narratives. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 2000.

Blizzard! The Storm That Changed America RC 52323
by Jim Murphy
read by Ray DiZefalo
1 cassette
An account of the massive snow storm that shut down America's east coast in March 1888, killing hundreds. Transportation, food, and coal supplies suddenly ceased. The disaster led to many improvements, including the establishment of the United States Weather Bureau. For grades 5-8. 2000.

The International Space Station RC 52334
by Franklyn M. Branley
read by Miriam Wagner
1 cassette
Explains how the International Space Station is being built and how it functions. Discusses how astronauts live and work on the station and what research they do to learn more about outer space. Includes a crystal-growing experiment. For grades 2-4. 2000.

A Dinosaur Named Sue: The Story of the Colossal Fossil; the World's Most Complete *T. Rex* RC 52351
by Pat Relf
read by Gary Telles
1 cassette
Describes the 1990 discovery in South Dakota by fossil hunter Susan Hendrickson of the most complete skeleton of *Tyrannosaurus rex* yet found. Discusses the dinosaur era, transporting the fossils, mounting the pieces for museum display, and what scientists are learning from Sue. For grades 4-7. 2000.

Islam RC 52950
by Matthew S. Gordon
read by Lewis Grenville
1 cassette
Overview of Islam, the world's second largest religion. Discusses the history of Islam, its branches, the Koran, and various practices and customs. Traces the religion's origin from the Middle East to its spread through southern Asia, northern Africa, and around the globe. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2001.

Hinduism RC 52951
by Madhu Bazaz Wangu
read by Yolande Bavan
1 cassette
Introduction to Hinduism, the principal religion in India and one of the oldest in existence. Discusses the history and evolution of the faith, its beliefs and customs, and the connection between religion and culture on the subcontinent. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2001.

Career Ideas for Kids Who Like Money
RC 53240
by Diane Lindsey Reeves
read by Patricia McDermott
2 cassettes
Introduces students to various career paths in which one can earn substantial amounts of money. Includes professions such as lawyer, investment banker, venture capitalist, and e-merchant. Offers suggestions on how to start preparing for the road to financial success. For grades 5-8. 2001.

Career Ideas for Kids Who Like Adventure RC 53241
by Diane Lindsey Reeves
read by Patricia McDermott
1 cassette
Career ideas on choosing a profession that offers both excitement and a physical challenge. Discusses becoming a pilot, a detective, a firefighter, a ranch hand, and a paramedic. Suggests additional resources and ways of practicing job skills. For grades 5-8. 2001.

Muhammad of Mecca: Prophet of Islam
RC 53383
by Elsa Marston
read by Yolande Bavan
1 cassette
Biography of the prophet Muhammad, founder of the Muslim religion, who lived on the Arabian peninsula during the sixth and seventh centuries. Describes his life and times and explains his teachings as recorded in the Koran. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2001.

Bad Boy: A Memoir RC 53389
by Walter Dean Myers
read by Jake Williams
1 cassette
Award-winning author and poet reminisces about his difficult childhood in Harlem as an African American youth in the 1940s and 1950s. Discusses his love of reading, his feelings for his adoptive parents, and his reasons for not finishing high school. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2001.

Stepliving for Teens: Getting Along with Stepparents, Parents, and Siblings
RC 53393
by Joel D. Block and Susan S. Bartell
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Two psychologists address teens' concerns and questions about stepfamily situations. They offer positive suggestions and advice, and present opinions from teens in similar circumstances. Among topics covered are becoming a "stepchild," family decision making, and ways to sort out awkward feelings. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2001.

Hearts, Cupids, and Red Roses: The Story of the Valentine Symbols
RC 53400
by Edna Barth
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette (Reissue)
Traces the history of Valentine's Day, celebrated on February 14, and the little-known stories behind its symbols. For grades 4-7. 2001.

A Picture Book of Louis Braille
RC 53405
by David A. Adler
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Presents the life of the nineteenth-century Frenchman who was accidentally blinded as a child. Louis Braille originated the raised dot system of reading and writing used throughout the world by visually impaired individuals. For grades K-3. 1997.

Collision Course! Cosmic Impacts and Life on Earth RC 53439
by Fred Bortz
read by Butch Hoover
1 cassette
Explains what happens when comets and asteroids collide with planets. Discusses evidence that an asteroid collision caused the end of the dinosaur era. Describes the crash of the Comet Shoemaker-Levy 9 into Jupiter in 1994 and the 1908 Tunguska event over Siberia. For grades 4-7. 2001.

Dinosaur Parents, Dinosaur Young: Uncovering the Mystery of Dinosaur Families RC 53451
by Kathleen Weidner Zoehfeld
read by Patricia McDermott
1 cassette
Explains how scientists form theories about the way dinosaur parents behaved with their hatchlings. Tells how new fossil discoveries lead to identifying new species that may cause scientists to change their ideas about dinosaur family life. For grades 3-6. 2001.

The Ever-Changing Atom RC 53465
by Roy A. Gallant
read by Butch Hoover
1 cassette
History of scientific ideas focusing on matter and leading up to the discovery of atoms—tiny particles that make up everything in the world. Discusses their different parts, their weight, their function in measuring time, and their use as a source of energy. For grades 5-8. 2000.

Celebrating Ramadan RC 53543
by Diane Hoyt-Goldsmith
read by Michael Scherer
1 cassette
Introduces Islamic beliefs and practices. Follows fourth-grader Ibraheem and his Muslim family in New Jersey through Ramadan, the month of praying and fasting that ends with the feast of Eid al-Fitr. For grades 3-6. 2001.

Oprah Winfrey RC 53602
by Belinda Friedrich
read by Gail Nelson
1 cassette
Biography of the television personality who was born in poverty in Mississippi in 1954. Describes Oprah's troubled childhood, successful career in television and film, eating addiction, book club, and her many contributions to charities. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2001.

Vietnam RC 53893
by Wendy M. Cole
read by Yolande Bavan
1 cassette
Describes the land, people, economy, and government of the southeast Asian country of Vietnam. Includes a brief summary of the war with the United States. For grades 5-8. 1999.

Cassettes Fiction

Miles' Song RC 51507
by Alice McGill
read by Don Feldheim
1 cassette
In 1851 twelve-year-old Miles is a "servant-in-training" inside a plantation house until he is caught with an open book. He is sent to a "breaking ground" to learn about being a slave. There he meets Elijah, an older slave, who teaches him to read—and proposes a plan to escape. For grades 6-9. 2000.

Dandelion RC 51509
by Don Freeman
read by Mary Ann Nichols
1 cassette
When Dandelion receives Jennifer Giraffe's invitation to a come-as-you-are party, he gets carried away at the barber shop and has his mane curled. Then Dandelion becomes upset when Miss Giraffe does not recognize him and turns him away. For grades K-3. 1964.

Horrible Harry at Halloween RC 51512
by Suzy Kline
read by Bob Angell
1 cassette
Miss Mackle's third-grade class is excited about Halloween and what costumes they will wear. They remember all of Harry's scary costumes since kindergarten and wonder what he will be this year. But Harry keeps his secret and surprises everyone. For grades 2-4. 2000.

Swimming with Sharks RC 51538
by Twig C. George
read by Nancy German
1 cassette
Ten-year-old Sarah thinks she will be incredibly bored spending the summer at her grandparents' Florida Keys home—until she discovers a baby shark. In her newfound eagerness to learn more about sharks, Sarah turns to her grandfather, a recently retired marine biologist. For grades 4-7. 1999.

Me Tarzan RC 51547
by Betsy Byars
read by Tracy Mickens-Hundley
1 cassette
Dorothy surprises herself and everyone else when she tries out for Tarzan in the class play. An amazing jungle yell comes out of her—and it gets louder every time. During each rehearsal more and more animals gather. Then the circus comes to town. For grades 2-4. 2000.

Crickwing RC 51574
by Janell Cannon
read by Cyn Delafield
1 cassette
After Crickwing, a cockroach with a twisted wing, bullies the leaf-cutter ants, they capture him to sacrifice to the ferocious army ants. When the leaf-cutter ants take pity on Crickwing, he comes up with a plan to save them all. Notes on cockroaches and ants are appended. For grades K-3. 2000.

The Vampire in My Bathtub RC 51577
by Brenda Seabrooke
read by Phil Regensdorf
1 cassette
Jeff's boredom over moving with his mother to a tiny West Virginia town disappears when he awakens an out-of-shape vampire who has been asleep for decades in Jeff's closet. Eugene is a good vampire who doesn't drink blood, but Jeff must help him elude an evil fiend. For grades 4-7. 1999.

A Screaming Kind of Day RC 51579
by Rachna Gilmore
read by Cyn Delafield
1 cassette
Scully only listens to her teasing brother and scolding mother when she wants to; then Scully turns on her hearing aids. One rainy day she longs to play outside. When her mother sends her to her room, Scully sneaks out the back door. For grades K-3. 1999.

Adaline Falling Star RC 51585
by Mary Pope Osborne
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
When Adaline is eleven, not long after her Arapaho mother died, her explorer father leaves her with his white cousins in St. Louis. Feeling abandoned and receiving cruel treatment from his prejudiced relatives, Adaline runs away into the wilderness, where she finds a stray dog for company. For grades 5-8. 2000.

Rage of Fire RC 51587
by Gloria Skurzynski and Alane Ferguson
read by Gillian Green
1 cassette
The Landons are visiting Hawaii Volcanoes National Park accompanied by a nine-year-old local, Danny Tran, whom they've agreed to unite with his grandfather in Jackson Hole. When the Landon children and Danny appear to have angered Pele the fire goddess, they frantically try to escape her. For grades 3-6. 1998.

Brave Potatoes RC 51597
by Toby Speed
read by Graci Ragsdale Miller
1 cassette
Late one night, when the crowds have gone home from the county fair, the potatoes decide to set off across the fairgrounds to enjoy the rides. Hackemup, the chef, has other plans for them. But perhaps the potatoes will have a surprise for Hackemup. For grades K-3. 2000.

The Vile Village: A Series of Unfortunate Events, Book 7 RC 52098
by Lemony Snicket
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Mr. Poe, the Baudelaire orphans' banker, decides to follow the saying "It takes a village to raise a child" and has the children adopted by the village of V.F.D. The results are predictably disastrous. Sequel to *The Ersatz Elevator (RC 51769)*. For grades 4-7. Bestseller 2001.

Not One Damsel in Distress: World Folktales for Strong Girls RC 52273
retold by Jane Yolen
read by Celeste Lawson
1 cassette
A collection of thirteen traditional tales from various parts of the world, each featuring a fearless, strong, heroic, and resourceful woman. Includes the stories of Atalanta from Greece and Nana Miriam from Niger. For grades 3-6. 2000.

Blueberries for Sal RC 52440
by Robert McCloskey
read by Kimberly Schraf
1 cassette (Reissue)
One day in Maine, Little Sal goes blueberry picking with her mother. Little Bear also comes with his mother to eat blueberries on the other side of the hill. There is quite a mix up when the little ones stray from their mothers. For preschool-grade 2. Caldecott Honor. 1948.

Miss Rumphius RC 52738
by Barbara Cooney
read by Kimberly Schraf
1 cassette
As a child, Alice Rumphius resolved to visit faraway places when she grew up and to live by the sea when she became

old. Most important, she planned to do something to make the world more beautiful. Now retired, she finds the last to be the most difficult. For grades K-3. 1982.

Page: Protector of the Small, Book 2
RC 52768
by Tamora Pierce
read by Lisette Lecat
2 cassettes
Eleven-year-old Keladry has overcome obstacles to become the first female page. Yet she is still tormented by some of the boys and afraid of heights. In addition, she must prove she is physically fit for knighthood. Sequel to *First Test (RC 52767)*. For grades 5-8. 2000.

Squire: Protector of the Small, Book 3
RC 52769
by Tamora Pierce
read by Lisette Lecat
3 cassettes
Fourteen-year-old Kel feels fortunate to squire Lord Raoul, commander of the King's Own—though he was not her first choice. Before she can become a knight, Kel faces a terrifying test in the Chapel of the Ordeal. She also experiences her first love. Sequel to *Page (RC 52768)*. For grades 5-8. 2001.

The Hostile Hospital: A Series of Unfortunate Events, Book 8 RC 52913
by Lemony Snicket
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
On the run after being falsely accused of murder, the three Baudelaire orphans—Violet, Klaus, and Sunny—find themselves in Heimlich Hospital, with the evil Count Olaf in close pursuit. Sequel to *The Vile Village (RC 52098)*. For grades 4-7. Bestseller 2001.

The Adventures of Tom Sawyer
RC 53084
by Mark Twain
read by Terence Aselford
2 cassettes (Reissue)
The escapades and high jinks of schoolboy Tom Sawyer, who lives with his Aunt Polly in a small Missouri town on the Mississippi River. Tom angles for the affections of Becky Thatcher, runs away with Huck Finn and Joe Harper, and tells the truth when it matters. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1876.

Through the Flames: Left Behind—the Kids, Volume 3 RC 53124
by Jerry B. Jenkins and Tim LaHaye
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Second Chance (RC 53123)*, Ryan wants to prove his worth to Judd, Vicki, and Lionel. So he sets out to discover what really happened to Lionel's Uncle André. In the process, he runs afoul of the law and puts his friends in danger. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Among the Hidden RC 53286
by Margaret Peterson Haddix
read by Brian Conn
1 cassette
In the future the Population Police ensure that families have only two children. Twelve-year-old Luke is a third son who hides in fear on his family's farm. When he discovers another "shadow" kid next door, the two join forces to try to change the government. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Among the Imposters RC 53287
by Margaret Peterson Haddix
read by Brian Conn
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Among the Hidden*

(RC 53286), twelve-year-old Luke, a forbidden and illegal third child, assumes a new identity as Lee Grant. He leaves the relative safety of the farm for boarding school. There he experiences a confusing environment among Population Police undercover agents. For grades 5-8. 2001.

Uncle Rain Cloud RC 53318
by Tony Johnston
read by Peter Gil
1 cassette
After moving to Los Angeles from Mexico, Carlos's uncle looks so dark and angry that Carlos secretly calls him "Uncle Rain Cloud." Then Carlos learns that his uncle shares his fear of speaking English, and they make a pact that helps them both. For grades K-3. 2001.

You Read to Me and I'll Read to You: Twentieth-Century Stories to Share RC 53369
selected by Janet Schulman
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
A "sampler of many different types of stories written during the last seven decades of the twentieth century." Includes such authors as William Steig, Judith Viorst, Dr. Seuss, Louis Sachar, Judi Barrett, Jon Scieszka, Tomi Ungerer, and Daniel Manus Pinkwater. For grades 2-4. 2001.

Dream Freedom RC 53385
by Sonia Levitin
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette
In this fictionalized account of real-life events, an American fifth-grade class learns about twentieth-century Sudanese slavery. Led by their teacher, they raise money to help with liberation efforts. Alternate chapters tell the stories of the slaves, their owners, and their families. For grades 5-8. 2000.

Witness RC 53401
by Karen Hesse
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette
Vermont, 1924. A series of poems expresses the views of eleven people, including a young black girl and a young Jewish girl, when the Ku Klux Klan tries to infiltrate the town. For grades 6-9. 2001.

The Demon in the Teahouse RC 53402
by Dorothy Hoobler and Thomas Hoobler
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Sequel to *The Ghost in the Tokaido Inn (RC 50081)*, set in eighteenth-century Japan. Someone is setting fires and killing geishas, and Samurai Judge Ooka needs an inside observer. He sends his adopted son, Seikei, under cover into a teahouse. For grades 6-9. 2001.

Girlhearts RC 53407
by Norma Fox Mazer
read by Robin Miles
2 cassettes
Thirteen-year-old Sarabeth Silver's life is turned upside down when her twenty-nine-year-old mother dies suddenly. Orphaned and grief-stricken, Sarabeth moves in with her Mom's best friend but doesn't feel comfortable in the crowded apartment with Cynthia's husband and baby son. Sequel to *Silver (RC37105)*. For grades 6-9. 2001.

The Journal of Ben Uchida: Citizen 13559, Mirror Lake Internment Camp RC 53428
by Barry Denenberg
read by Brian Conn
1 cassette
Ben is a typical twelve-year-old boy in San Francisco until the 1941 attack on Pearl Harbor. As hostility toward Japanese Americans grows, he becomes aware of his Japanese features. Ben and his family are confined to an internment camp for the duration of World War II—and Ben keeps a diary. For grades 5-8. 1999.

Riddle of the Prairie Bride RC 53429
by Kathryn Reiss
read by Mitzi Friedlander
1 cassette
In 1878, twelve-year-old Ida Kate and her widowed father welcome a mail-order bride and her baby to their Kansas homestead. But Ida Kate soon suspects that the bride is not the same woman with whom Papa had corresponded. For grades 5-8. 2001.

Bo and Mzzz Mad RC 53464
by Sid Fleischman
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
Twelve-year-old Bo Gamage heads to distant relatives in the Mojave Desert to avoid being sent to a foster home. The eccentric Martinka family—thirteen-year-old Madeleine, Aunt Juna, and Paw Paw—barely tolerate him because of a family feud involving a lost gold mine, one they still hope to find. For grades 5-8. 2001.

The Buccaneers RC 53534
by Iain Lawrence
read by David Cutler
2 cassettes
1803. John Spencer, last seen in *The Smugglers (RC 48709)*, sails with his uncle from England to trade in the West Indies. They rescue a stranded sailor; stumble upon a horde of pirates; and endure fevers, shark attacks, and storms before returning home. For grades 5-8. 2001.

Dreams in the Golden Country: The Diary of Zipporah Feldman, a Jewish Immigrant Girl RC 53540
by Kathryn Lasky
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
When twelve-year-old Zippy arrives at Ellis Island with her mother and two sisters, she does not find the golden country promised back in Russia. Zippy keeps a diary of her Jewish family's tenement life in New York City between 1903 and 1905. For grades 4-7. 1998.

Shipwreck Season RC 53583
by Donna Hill
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Cape Cod, Massachusetts; 1880. At first, sixteen-year-old Daniel detests staying with the coarse surfmen at the lifesavers' station and taking orders from his unsympathetic uncle. But as he patrols the coastline with them and helps rescue passengers from shipwrecks, he learns to appreciate the crew's noble qualities. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1998.

Ghost Horses RC 53588
by Gloria Skurzynski and
Alane Ferguson
read by Nick Sullivan
1 cassette
Twelve-year-old Jack and his sister, Ashley, join their parents and two Shoshone foster children on a trip to Zion National Park in Utah. Once there they encounter an avalanche, a flash flood, and strange behavior among a herd of wild mustangs. For grades 4-7. 2000.

Cassie Loves Beethoven RC 53601
by Alan Arkin
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Hallie and David Kennedy are disappointed when their new cow, Cassie, doesn't give any milk. Their discovery that Cassie loves listening to Beethoven's music on the radio changes everything. Not only can she talk, she wants to play music herself. For grades 3-6. 2000.

The Wizard's Dilemma RC 53605
by Diane Duane
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *A Wizard Abroad (RC 46831)*, wizards-in-training Nita and Kit quarrel. Kit withdraws to investigate his dog's powers. Meanwhile, Nita confronts her mother's hospitalization for a life-threatening brain tumor by searching for a magical cure. For grades 5-8. 2001.

Color Me Dark: The Diary of Nellie Lee Love, the Great Migration North RC 53618
by Patricia C. McKissack
read by Barbara Pinolini
1 cassette
In 1919, when eleven-year-old Nellie Lee Love's uncle is murdered, her family moves from Tennessee to Chicago, hoping to leave the Jim Crow South behind. The family discovers that racism exists everywhere, even within the African American community. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 2000.

Everything on a Waffle RC 53669
by Polly Horvath
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
When Primrose's parents are lost at sea off Coal Harbour in Canada, she is cared for by a series of neighbors and relatives, including Miss Bowzer, who owns a restaurant where everything is served on a waffle. For grades 4-7. 2001.

The Hunted RC 53716
by Gloria Skurzynski and
Alane Ferguson
read by Nick Sullivan
1 cassette
The Landons and their children Jack and Ashley travel to Montana's Glacier National Park to learn why baby grizzly bears have disappeared. Ashley meets a ten-year-old Mexican boy who has been living in the forest. The three kids uncover poachers and barely escape being mauled. For grades 3-6. 2000.

Brian's Bird RC 53740
by Patricia A. Davis
read by Saidah Arrika Ekulona
1 cassette
Brian, who is blind, enjoys learning to care for the parakeet he receives on his

eighth birthday. He comes to realize that his older brother, Kevin, while sometimes careless, is not so bad after all. For grades K-3. 2000.

War Comes to Willy Freeman RC 53884
by James Lincoln Collier and Christopher Collier
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
During the horrors of the Revolutionary War in Connecticut, thirteen-year-old Willy—short for Wilhelmina—is in danger of being returned to slavery. After her patriot father is killed by the British and her mother disappears, Willy disguises herself as a boy to search for her mother. For grades 4-7. 1983.

Dear Mrs. Ryan, You're Ruining My Life RC 53901
by Jennifer B. Jones
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Fifth-grader Harvey is tired of having his divorced mother, Mrs. Ryan, write about him in her popular children's books. To distract her, Harvey and his best friend, Seal, plot to connect her romantically with the school principal. But that complicates Harvey's life even more. For grades 4-7. 2000.

Fur-ever yours, Booker Jones RC 53945
by Betsy Duffey
read by Rick Rohan
1 cassette
Booker Jones is determined to become a published science fiction writer until his parents' vacation disrupts his routine. When they leave Booker and his older sister, Libba, with their confused grandfather, problems quickly pile up, such as laundry, cooking, and how to help Pop. Sequel to *Utterly yours, Booker Jones (RC 43487)*. For grades 5-8. 2001.

Foreign Language Books

The following cassette titles are available in the languages designated.

Spanish

El Sacrilegio: El Anticristo Toma el Trono (Desecration: Antichrist Takes the Throne) RC 52980
por Tim LaHaye and Jerry B. Jenkins
leído por Juan Ramírez
3 cassettes
Raimundo Steele y los miembros del Comando Tribulación se aprestan para rescatar el pueblo elegido de Dios. Mientras tanto, multitudes leales a Nicolás Carpatia se juntan en el Templo donde se preparan a aceptar la marca en la presencia de Nicolás—y donde Nicolás intenta proclamarse Dios. Sigue a *La Marca (RC 52883)*. [Rayford Steele and some Tribulation Force members prepare to rescue God's chosen people. Meanwhile, Nicolae Carpathia's followers, planning to take the "mark" (a tattoo and a biochip implant), gather at the temple—where Nicolae intends to declare himself God. Sequel to *La Marca (RC 52883)*.] 2001.

El Visitante (The Visitor) RC 52978
por K.A. Applegate
leído por Juan Ramírez
1 cassette
Un extraterrestre les otorgó a Rachel y sus amigos de escuela el poder de transformarse en cualquier animal. Ahora Rachel sospecha que uno de sus amigos está bajo el control mental de los temibles Yeerks, y Rachel intenta encontrar la verdad. Sigue a *La Invasión (RC 46997)*. Para grados 4 a 7 y lectores mayores. [Rachel and her friends now have the power to morph into any animal they touch. When Rachel starts to suspect that a friend has fallen under the control of the evil Yeerks, she knows how to find out the truth. Sequel to *La Invasión (RC 46997)*. For grades 4-7 and older readers.] 1998.

El Encuentro (The Encounter) RC 52979
por K.A. Applegate
leído por Juan Ramírez
1 cassette
Tobias y sus amigos eran adolescentes normales hasta que les fue concedidio el poder de transformarse en animal. Los jóvenes luchan contra los malvados Yeerks, pero Tobias no tuvo en cuenta la advertencia de que nunca deben permanecer más de dos horas dentro del cuerpo de un animal. Ahora permanecerá convertido en halcón ratonero—para siempre. Sigue a *El Visitante (RC 52978)*. Para grados 4 a 7 y lectores mayores. [Tobias and his friends were ordinary kids until given the power to morph into animals to fight the evil Yeerks. Tobias failed to heed the warning not to remain in animal form longer than two hours. Now he's a hawk—forever. Sequel to *El Visitante (RC 52978)*. For grades 4-7 and older readers.] 1998.

Magazines on Cassette

For a free subscription to these magazines, contact your cooperating library.

American Heritage (8 issues)
Analog Science Fiction and Fact (11 issues)
Asimov's Science Fiction (11 issues)
The Atlantic Monthly (11 issues; combined issue July–August)
Das Beste aus *Reader's Digest* (German; 12 issues)
Bon Appétit (monthly)
Buenhogar (Spanish; monthly)
Choice Magazine Listening (on loan from cooperating libraries, bimonthly)
Consumer Reports (monthly)
Contemporary Sound Track: A Review of Pop, Jazz, Rock, and Country (bimonthly)
Cricket (for children, on one cassette with **National Geographic World**, monthly)
Diabetes Forecast (monthly)
Discover (monthly)
Ebony (monthly)
Ellery Queen's Mystery Magazine (11 issues)

Foreign Affairs (6 issues)
Good Housekeeping (monthly plus special issues)
Health and Nutrition Newsletters (includes **Dr. Andrew Weil's Self Healing, Healthline, The Johns Hopkins Medical Letter—Health after Fifty, Mayo Clinic Health Letter,** and **Nutrition Action Healthletter,** monthly)
Journal Français (French; monthly)
Magazine of the Month (monthly)
Money (monthly plus special issues)
The Musical Mainstream (quarterly)
The Nation (47 issues)
National Geographic (monthly)
National Geographic World (for children and teens, on one cassette with **Cricket,** monthly)
National Review (25 issues)
The *New York Times* Book Review (weekly)
Outdoor Life (10 issues; combined issues June–July, December–January)
People Weekly (weekly plus special issues)
QST (monthly)
Quarterly Music Magazine (quarterly)
Selecciones del *Reader's Digest* (Spanish; monthly)
Sélections du *Reader's Digest* (French; monthly)
Smart Computing (monthly)
Sound & Vision (10 issues)
Spider: The Magazine for Children (monthly)
Sports Illustrated (weekly plus special issues)
Sports Illustrated for Kids (monthly)
Talking Book Topics (bimonthly, also contains selections from NLS News irregularly)
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3. Address envelope to your cooperating talking-book library.
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Arkansas	Little Rock	866-660-0885	(501) 682-1155
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	Sacramento	800-952-5666	(916) 654-0640
Colorado	Denver	800-685-2136	(303) 727-9277
Connecticut	Rocky Hill	800-842-4516	(860) 566-2151
Delaware	Dover	800-282-8676	(302) 739-4748
District of Columbia	Washington		(202) 727-2142
Florida	Daytona Beach	800-226-6075	(386) 239-6000
Georgia	Atlanta	800-248-6701	(404) 756-4619
Hawaii	Honolulu	800-559-4096	(808) 733-8444
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Kansas	Emporia	800-362-0699	(316) 343-7124
Kentucky	Frankfort	800-372-2968	(502) 564-8300
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Maine	Augusta	800-762-7106	(207) 287-5650
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Massachusetts	Watertown	800-852-3133	(617) 972-7240
Michigan	Lansing	800-992-9012	(517) 373-5614
	Westland	888-968-2737	(734) 727-7300
Minnesota	Faribault	800-722-0550	(507) 333-4828
Mississippi	Jackson	800-446-0892	(601) 961-4111
Missouri	Jefferson City	800-392-2614	(573) 751-8720
Montana	Helena	800-332-3400	(406) 444-2064
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New Jersey	Trenton	800-792-8322	(609) 530-4000
New Mexico	Santa Fe	800-456-5515	(505) 476-9773
New York	Albany	800-342-3688	(518) 474-5935
	New York City		(212) 206-5400
North Carolina	Raleigh	888-388-2460	(919) 733-4376
North Dakota	Bismarck	800-843-9948	(701) 328-1408
Ohio	Cincinnati	800-582-0335	(513) 369-6999
	Cleveland	800-362-1262	(216) 623-2911
Oklahoma	Oklahoma City	800-523-0288	(405) 521-3514
Oregon	Salem	800-452-0292	(503) 378-3849
	Portland		(503) 224-0610
Pennsylvania	Philadelphia	800-222-1754	(215) 683-3213
	Pittsburgh	800-242-0586	(412) 687-2440
Puerto Rico	San Juan	800-981-8008	(787) 723-2519
Rhode Island	Providence	800-734-5141	(401) 222-5800
South Carolina	Columbia	800-922-7818	(803) 734-4611
South Dakota	Pierre	800-423-6665	(605) 773-3131
Tennessee	Nashville	800-342-3308	(615) 741-3915
Texas	Austin	800-252-9605	(512) 463-5458
Utah	Salt Lake City	800-662-5540	(801) 715-6789
Vermont	Berlin	800-479-1711	(802) 828-3273
Virgin Islands	St. Croix		(340) 772-2250
Virginia	Richmond	800-552-7015	(804) 371-3661
Washington	Seattle	800-542-0866	(206) 615-0400
West Virginia	Charleston	800-642-8674	(304) 558-4061
Wisconsin	Milwaukee	800-242-8822	(414) 286-3045
Wyoming	Salt Lake City, Ut.	800-453-4293	(801) 715-6789

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The annotated list in this issue is limited to titles recently added to the national collection, which contains thousands of fiction and nonfiction titles, including classics, biographies, gothics, mysteries, and how-to and self-help guides.

To learn more about the wide range of books in the national collection, readers may order catalogs and subject bibliographies from cooperating libraries. Librarians can check other resources for titles and answer requests for special materials.

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In Brief

"Voyager" to enhance catalog searching

NLS bibliographic records will move to a new catalog system in late February or early March 2003. The new catalog is part of the Voyager Integrated Library System, which has been in use elsewhere in the Library of Congress since 1999.

Voyager will be updated nightly instead of weekly and will offer improved features for searching and displaying records, including a more flexible keyword search capability and the capacity to browse author and subject heading lists. Individuals using adaptive computer devices will be able to access a text-only version of the catalog.

A link to the new catalog will appear on the NLS home page when it becomes available.

New magazine

NLS has chosen a new magazine, *Flower and Garden*, to replace *New Choices*, which discontinued publication in May 2002. *Flower and Garden* is published six times a year and will be available in the near future. Patrons who would like to subscribe should contact their cooperating talking-book library.

New handbook offers guidance to law enforcement personnel

Crime victims with disabilities are the focus of a new handbook from the Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) of the Justice Department's Office of Justice Programs (OJP). *First Response to Victims of Crime Who Have a Disability* offers specific guidance and tips on working with crime victims who have

Alzheimer's disease, mental illness or developmental disabilities, or are blind, visually impaired, deaf, or hard of hearing. An estimated 17 percent of the U.S. population has one of these disabilities. The handbook describes the characteristics of various disabilities and ways that law enforcement officers can be responsive to these victims' needs without compromising an investigation.

First Response provides general guidance applicable to all crime victims with disabilities; covers the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, both of which require that handicapped crime victims have an equal opportunity to participate in and benefit from law enforcement programs and services; and features a directory of organizations that can provide more information about disabilities.

First Response to Victims of Crime Who Have a Disability is accessible on the OJP web site <www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ovc> along with information about other OVC publications, programs, and conferences. For further information contact the OVC Resource Center at 800-627-6872.

Correction

The toll-free number for the Blinded Veterans Association (BVA) printed in *Talking Book Topics*, January–February 2003, was incorrect. The correct number is 800-669-7079. NLS apologizes for the error. The item is reprinted below.

NLS works with BVA to support blinded veterans

The federal legislation that enables the Library of Congress to provide free library service to blind and physically handicapped individuals (Public Law 89–522, July 30, 1966) specifies that preference shall at all times be given to blind and physically handicapped persons who have been honorably discharged from the armed forces of the United States. The Blinded Veterans Association (BVA) represents a significant segment of the NLS user community, and BVA representatives often serve on NLS advisory committees.

BVA is the only congressionally chartered veterans service organization exclusively dedicated to serving our nation's blinded veterans. BVA supports rehabilitation initiatives and has its own national, full-time field service representative program. Field service offices throughout the country provide advice, information, and aid to blinded veterans and their families. BVA field reps, all of whom are blinded veterans themselves, counsel blind veterans in their respective regions. The reps link veterans with service, rehabilitation, training, and other benefits. In addition, BVA helps veterans who receive counseling to find jobs within the community.

The BVA traces its roots back to 1945, when a group of veterans who lost their sight during World War II met at an army hospital in Connecticut and founded the association. BVA has been instrumental in spearheading and helping to sustain programs and services meant to give aid to blinded veterans ever since. BVA supports Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Comprehensive Blind Rehabilitation Services, which helps veterans learn how to live without sight, from the basics–such as crossing the street safely–to the more

complex issues of coming to terms with their condition and leading fulfilling and productive lives.

There is no charge for any BVA service and all legally blind veterans are eligible for assistance regardless of whether they lost their vision during service or afterward. BVA works closely with the Congress of the United States and the VA to accomplish its vital mission.

Some of the above was adapted from the Blinded Veterans Association web site <www.bva.org>. For more information, visit the web site or call toll free 1-800-669-7079.

Newsstand

The following announcements may be of interest to readers. The National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped reserves the right to publish announcements selectively, as space permits. Items mentioned, however, are not part of the NLS program, and their listing does not imply endorsement.

Knitters' Internet group shares information. VIP-SHEEP-TALK is an Internet group for blind and visually impaired individuals who enjoy yarn-related crafts, typically—but not limited to—knitting and crocheting. Members of the group use the list to share and learn patterns, exchange information on yarns and supplies, find help with difficult patterns or stitches, and make new friends. To subscribe, send a blank e-mail to <VIP-SHEEP-TALK-subscribe@yahoogroups.com>. For more information, contact the list's moderator, Eileen Fleming by e-mail at <etflemin@ix.netcom.com>.

Books for Adults

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including biographies, classics, gothics, mysteries, romances, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Note: For the information of the reader, a notice may appear immediately following the book description to indicate occurrences of strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, or violence. The word "some" before any of these terms indicates an occasional or infrequent occurrence, as in "some strong language."

Cassettes Nonfiction

The Measure of a Mountain: Beauty and Terror on Mount Rainier RC 46784
by Bruce Barcott
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
Intrigued by Mt. Rainier's dominant presence, Barcott examines its physical attributes, mythology, and psychological impact. More of a bookworm than an athlete, he overcomes his concerns about harsh weather and mountaineering tragedies to assault the summit. 1997.

Don't Pee on My Leg and Tell Me It's Raining: America's Toughest Family Court Judge Speaks Out RC 50304
by Judy Sheindlin
read by Mimi Bederman
2 cassettes
Television's Judge Judy highlights the inadequacy of America's social programs and the resulting high crime rate, especially among juveniles. Uses her own court cases to exemplify the dishonesty and hypocrisy permeating society, and offers solutions to the problems the system has created. 1996.

The Spice Islands Voyage: The Quest for Alfred Wallace, the Man Who Shared Darwin's Discovery of Evolution RC 51506
by Tim Severin
read by Ted Stoddard
2 cassettes
A travel writer and explorer retraces the Indonesian travels of English naturalist Alfred Russel Wallace in the mid-nineteenth century. Severin recounts his adventures in a replica of an ancient sailing vessel as he and his crew confront some of the same dangers faced by Wallace. Combines biography, natural history, and ecological reporting. 1997.

Journey of the Pink Dolphins: An Amazon Quest RC 51514
by Sy Montgomery
read by Ray Childs
2 cassettes
Naturalist Montgomery searches the confluence of rivers near Manaus, Brazil, for pink dolphin—an elusive freshwater species. She recounts anecdotes and legends about their behavior and habitat, while including facts on the history of the

region and details of her adventures on this odyssey. 2000.

American Fly Fishing: A History
RC 51516
by Paul Schullery
read by Rick Rohan
3 cassettes
A history of American fly fishing from colonial times includes legend and lore as well as technological developments. Discusses people and places that contributed to the sport. 1987.

The Biology of Doom: The History of America's Secret Germ Warfare Project
RC 51521
by Ed Regis
read by Dan Bloom
2 cassettes
Using declassified documents and personal interviews of the program's scientists, a professor traces America's biological weapons project from its World War II origins to its abrupt cancellation in 1969 and dismantling in the 1980s. Explains that the project tested pathogens on more than two thousand volunteers in the United States. 1999.

Past Time: Baseball as History
RC 51522
by Jules Tygiel
read by Erik Synnestvedt
2 cassettes
Nine essays by the author of *Baseball's Greatest Experiment (RC 19932)* and *The Jackie Robinson Reader (RC 44819)* tying the game of baseball to changes in American culture. Includes the invention of statistics, the depression era, the Jim Crow years, the advent of radio and television, and westward expansion. 2000.

Democracy Derailed: Initiative Campaigns and the Power of Money
RC 51523
by David S. Broder
read by Bob Angell
2 cassettes
A Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist argues that initiatives put on ballots by millionaires and special-interest groups are destroying the United States Constitution's system of checks and balances. Examines California's Proposition 13 and Oregon's assisted suicide laws, among other examples. 2000.

Getting to Peace: Transforming Conflict at Home, at Work, and in the World
RC 51528
by William L. Ury
read by Dan Bloom
2 cassettes
Presents an innovative conceptual approach and a concrete method of resolving family discord, hostility in schools, differences at work, and disagreements within and between nations. Explores the idea that a "third side" in a dispute can transform conflict into cooperation. Discusses ten practical ways to work toward peace. 1999.

Rocks of Ages: Science and Religion in the Fullness of Life RC 51534
by Stephen Jay Gould
read by Don Feldheim
2 cassettes
The popular science writer and paleontologist offers a proposal for healing the rift between religion and science. Gould insists that the concerns of the two domains are properly different and that agreement to a principle of respectful noninterference between them could result in peaceful and even productive coexistence. 1999.

The Farfarers: Before the Norse RC 51550
by Farley Mowat
read by Michael Kramer
3 cassettes
From his research, travels, and archaeological evidence, Mowat theorizes that another European people, the Albans, visited North America before the Norse. He combines fictionalized accounts of the Albans' lives with historical clues to describe their houses, sailing vessels, hunting and foraging skills, and lifestyle. 1998.

The PBS Companion: A History of Public Television RC 51595
by David Stewart
read by Terence Aselford
2 cassettes
A public television program executive of more than forty years discusses the most successful series on his network and introduces the people who created them. Evaluates programming decisions behind such shows as *Frontline* and *Sesame Street*; profiles luminaries Fred Rogers, Julia Child, and others. 1999.

Dumb Money: Adventures of a Day Trader RC 51630
by Joey Anuff and Gary Wolf
read by Dick Jenkins
2 cassettes
Describes this unregulated-but-booming phenomenon of the twenty-first century. Discusses benefits, risks, and challenges; explores the culture of veterans in the field; recalls the murderous 1999 rampage of an unsuccessful investor in Atlanta. Provides guidelines for decisions and transactions. 2000.

Ambiguous Loss: Learning to Live with Unresolved Grief RC 51735
by Pauline Boss
read by Anne Hancock
1 cassette
Psychotherapist offers strategies for dealing with uncertain or incomplete loss, such as when a loved one is missing in action or abducted or has disappeared. Can also apply to situations arising from immigration, divorce, or adoption, or to conditions in which a person is physically present but psychologically absent, such as dementia. 1999.

The Creative Age: Awakening Human Potential in the Second Half of Life RC 51737
by Gene D. Cohen
read by Rick Rohan
3 cassettes
Gerontologist explains how experience combined with creativity can strengthen morale and physical health during the aging process. Replete with anecdotes of famous and not-so-famous people—including Mother Teresa of Calcutta and U.S. secretary of state Madeleine Albright—who enhanced their lives in their later years. 2000.

Always in Our Hearts: The Story of Amy Grossberg, Brian Peterson, and the Baby They Didn't Want RC 52048
by Doug Most
read by John Lescault
2 cassettes
Discusses the actions and criminal trial of two upper-middle-class white teenagers who killed their newborn in 1996. Analyzes their reasons for the murder. Presents the author's view of related social trends—a declining sense of moral responsibility and increasingly poor parenting among two-career families. 1999.

Change Me into Zeus's Daughter: A Memoir RC 52353
by Barbara Robinette Moss
read by Susan McInerney
3 cassettes
Moss's autobiography of a poverty-stricken childhood in 1960s Alabama, where her alcoholic father and emotionally distant mother raised eight children. The author was so malnourished as a child that she needed surgery as an adult to repair her misshapen face. Some strong language. 2000.

Jumping Fire: A Smokejumper's Memoir of Fighting Wildfire RC 52866
by Murry A. Taylor
read by Alec Volz
4 cassettes
The fifty-year-old author, a veteran forest firefighter from Alaska, reminisces about decades of jumping from planes into potential disaster, concentrating on the 1991 season. Details mishaps, malfunctions, and other problems crews encounter during their perennial struggles with nature. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2000.

War in a Time of Peace: Bush, Clinton, and the Generals RC 53021
by David Halberstam
read by Fred Major
5 cassettes
Historian examines post-Cold War foreign policy—including conflicts in Somalia, Haiti, the Persian Gulf, and Bosnia—under U.S. presidents George H.W. Bush and Bill Clinton. Explores the infighting between the military administration and politicians and the influence of the Vietnam legacy on decision-making. Follows *The Best and the Brightest (RC 53020)*. Bestseller 2001.

All the Orations of Demosthenes: Pronounced to Excite the Athenians against Philip, King of Macedon RC 53055
by Demosthenes
read by Ken Kliban
2 cassettes
Classic speeches by Demosthenes (384–322 B.C.), Greek orator, politician, and patriot, who urged his fellow Athenians to fight against the invader Philip of Macedonia and Philip's son and successor, Alexander the Great. English translation by Thomas Leland. 1757.

Eastward to Tartary: Travels in the Balkans, the Middle East, and the Caucasus RC 53144
by Robert D. Kaplan
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Travel and foreign-affairs writer examines the "New Near East...a volatile region where the cultural legacies of the Byzantine, Persian, and Turkish empires overlap." He speculates on the future of the Caspian Sea oil and gas resources and their political and social effects on national identity in the area. 2000.

The World of Caffeine: The Science and Culture of the World's Most Popular Drug RC 53161
by Bennett Alan Weinberg and Bonnie K. Bealer
read by Bill Wallace
4 cassettes
Traces the cultural history of caffeine from its origin and introduction into Western Europe to its pervasive popularity in modern society. Discusses the consumption of caffeine derived from coffee, cola, tea, and chocolate and its effects on the human body. Examines

caffeine's impact on social customs and the arts. 2001.

The Sweet Potato Queens' Book of Love RC 53169
by Jill Conner Browne
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
1 cassette
Browne recounts the formation of the Sweet Potato Queens—a group of Jackson, Mississippi, women who wear green sequins and towering red hairdos and perform provocative dances on St. Patrick's Day. The leader, Browne, shares advice on love, life, men, and the importance of being prepared. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1999.

Flight: My Life in Mission Control RC 53219
by Chris Kraft
read by Lou Harpenau
3 cassettes
NASA's first flight director offers an insider's view of the early days of the space program in the 1960s. He describes past achievements such as the first manned launch with Alan Shepard, and the glitches, near disasters, and successes, culminating with the astronauts walking on the moon. Some strong language. 2001.

Carry Me Home: Birmingham, Alabama; the Climactic Battle of the Civil Rights Revolution RC 53239
by Diane McWhorter
read by Kerry Cundiff
6 cassettes
A journalist examines her hometown's role in the 1950s and 1960s civil rights movement. A member of a privileged Birmingham, Alabama, white family, McWhorter describes the police dog attacks, church bombings, and other horrors launched against blacks. She highlights the conspiracy among the city's public officials, elite citizens, and Klansmen. 2001.

The Fifty Best (and Worst) Business Deals of All Time RC 53243
by Michael Craig
read by John Richardson
2 cassettes
Uses case studies of fifty successful megadeals—from the 1624 purchase of Manhattan to the year 2000 proposed merger of AOL and Time Warner—to illustrate ten rules for successful business negotiations. Advises thinking clearly, focusing on strengths, being innovative, and helping disadvantaged people. 2000.

Notorious: The Life of Ingrid Bergman RC 53248
by Donald Spoto
read by Gary Tipton
4 cassettes
Biography of Academy Award-winning Swedish actress Ingrid Bergman (1915–1982), who was exiled from Hollywood in the 1950s because of an adulterous affair. Traces her tragic childhood, career in Europe, and ascension to international acclaim. Examines her three marriages, four children, and utter devotion to her craft. 1997.

The Man Who Stayed Behind RC 53250
by Sidney Rittenberg and Amanda Bennett
read by Fred Major
4 cassettes
Memoir of an American who went to China with the army during World War II and stayed for thirty-five years. Reviews Rittenberg's commitment to communism, his marriage to a Chinese wo-

man, and his imprisonment after being falsely accused as a spy. Contains an eyewitness account of Mao's revolution. Some strong language. 2001.

A Primate's Memoir RC 53256
by Robert M. Sapolsky
read by Barry Bernson
3 cassettes
An American neuroscientist gives a humorous account of adventures during his twenty-year study of baboons in East Africa. Intersperses his descriptions of baboon behavior with tales of friendship with the Masai and of dealing with third-world bureaucracy. Some strong language. 2001.

A World Made New: Eleanor Roosevelt and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights RC 53258
by Mary Ann Glendon
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Discusses Mrs. Roosevelt's role in the development of the first document to define worldwide human rights. Describes her chairmanship of the drafting committee and her diplomacy to ensure the Declaration's ratification in 1948. Quotes diaries, letters, and memoirs of committee members to explain how consensus was reached. 2001.

Falcon's Cry: A Desert Storm Memoir RC 53265
by Michael Donnelly
read by Lou Harpenau
2 cassettes
Memoir of a Persian Gulf War combat pilot who was diagnosed with Lou Gehrig's disease in 1996. Donnelly recounts his struggle to force the military establishment to acknowledge a link between his illness and wartime exposure to chemical and biological weapons in Iraq. Some strong language. 1998.

The Family Guide to Surviving Stroke and Communication Disorders RC 53270
by Dennis C. Tanner
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
Audiologist discusses strokes and their effects on communication. Describes the conditions of aphasia, apraxia, dysarthria, depression and anxiety, and memory and behavioral problems. Includes guidance on maintaining relationships and accepting change, as well as on speech and language rehabilitation. 1999.

Estate Planning and Administration: How to Maximize Assets, Minimize Taxes, and Protect Loved Ones RC 53271
by Edmund T. Fleming
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
Attorney and former Internal Revenue Service auditor explains how to create an estate plan. Covers wills, trusts, powers of attorney, health care issues, probate, and federal taxes. Also clarifies the responsibilities of executors and administrators. Discusses the 2001 tax relief act and includes samples of a will and a living trust. 2001.

Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis: A Guide for Patients and Families RC 53275
edited by Hiroshi Mitsumoto and Theodore L. Munsat
read by Lou Harpenau
4 cassettes
Two medical doctors and other professionals present an overview of the diagnosis, care, and management of amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), also known as Lou Gehrig's disease, a disor-

der of the motor neurons. Includes advice on rehabilitation and assistive devices, clinical trials and medications, and psychological factors. Includes information for caregivers. 2001.

A Manual for Writers of Term Papers, Theses, and Dissertations RC 53277
by Kate L. Turabian
read by John Richardson
3 cassettes
A guide for students in every phase of term-paper preparation. Discusses the mechanics of writing, documentation, and manuscript production using personal computers and citing electronic sources. Revised by John Grossman and Alice Bennett. 1996.

Christmas in Plains: Memories RC 53307
by Jimmy Carter
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
Carter, who served as the thirty-ninth president of the United States, reminisces about family Christmases over the years, beginning with his childhood on a Georgia farm, through his years in the U.S. Navy, in the Georgia governor's mansion, in the White House, and then back to Plains. Bestseller 2001.

Grant RC 53324
by Jean Edward Smith
read by Robert Sams
8 cassettes in 2 containers
A political science professor examines the life of Ulysses S. Grant—his business failings, his brilliant military career, and his controversial presidency. Asserts that during his two terms in office Grant successfully guided the country through Reconstruction and the Panic of 1873, and supported the rights of freedmen and Native Americans. 2001.

Blues Legacies and Black Feminism: Gertrude "Ma" Rainey, Bessie Smith, and Billie Holiday RC 53325
by Angela Y. Davis
read by Annie Wauters
3 cassettes
A feminist interpretation of the lives and lyrics of three African American blues musicians of the 1930s. Also includes the complete lyrics of some of Ma Rainey's and Bessie Smith's songs. 1998.

Step into a World: A Global Anthology of the New Black Literature RC 53331
edited by Kevin Powell
read by John Hammock
5 cassettes
Collection of literary pieces by more than one hundred contemporary black writers, born between 1957 and 1977, from nine countries. Contents are arranged by essays, hip-hop journalism, criticism, fiction, poetry, and dialog. Covers a broad range of topics and styles. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2000.

The Holy Longing: The Search for a Christian Spirituality RC 53347
by Ronald Rolheiser
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Journalist for the *Catholic Herald* discusses the meaning of spirituality and its application to daily life within the context of Christianity. Offers advice in practical, everyday terms to those struggling with concepts of faith and recommends ways to find spiritual discipline. 1999.

Hans Christian Andersen: The Life of a Storyteller RC 53399
by Jackie Wullschlager
read by Bill Wallace
4 cassettes
Biography of the nineteenth-century Danish writer, best known for his original fairy tales such as "The Emperor's New Clothes," "The Little Mermaid," and "The Ugly Duckling." Discusses his childhood in poverty, his development as a writer, and the cultural context that formed him. 2000.

Vermeer: A View of Delft RC 53408
by Anthony Bailey
read by Ken Kliban
2 cassettes
A portrait of the seventeenth-century Dutch artist and the society in which he lived. Augments biographical facts with educated supposition. Includes historical and cultural information about Delft and some of its important citizens. Discusses Vermeer's paintings and their lasting contribution to the arts. 2001.

I Knew a Woman: The Experience of the Female Body RC 53409
by Cortney Davis
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Nurse practitioner uses four characters, composites of her many patients, to relay practical information about female sexuality issues. Discusses emotional and physical concerns about pregnancy and birth, intercourse, abuse, menopause, pelvic exams, Pap smears, and mammograms, among other topics. 2001.

Experimental Music: Cage and Beyond, Second Edition RC 53417
by Michael Nyman
read by Dennis Rooney
2 cassettes
Composer and musicologist's account of the Anglo-American musical avant-garde of the sixties and seventies that is associated with John Cage. The works of these composers, which found a home in art colleges, "made a point of being more concerned with how things were made...than with what they finally sounded like." 1999 foreword. 1974.

Medicine Quest: In Search of Nature's Healing Secrets RC 53431
by Mark J. Plotkin
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
In this companion to *Tales of a Shaman's Apprentice (RC 38383)*, an ethnobotanist searches the world's forests for plants that heal. Describes substances derived from bugs, snakes, marine life, plants, and fungi that can be used in formulating chemical compounds that cure disease. 2000.

War Letters: Extraordinary Correspondence from American Wars RC 53437
edited by Andrew Carroll
read by Fred Major
4 cassettes
Anthology of correspondence written by Americans involved in hostilities, from the Civil War to 1990s Bosnia. Includes letters from William Sherman, George Custer, Francis Gary Powers, and George H.W. Bush, as well as from common soldiers, nurses, journalists, and other participants. Editor's notes indicate the fate of each writer. Some strong language. 2001.

The Best of Times: America in the Clinton Years RC 53438
by Haynes Johnson
read by Roy Avers
4 cassettes
Following his analysis of the 1980s in *Sleepwalking through History: America in the Reagan Years (RC 32046)*, a journalist looks back at the successes and failures of the 1990s. Describes the decade's scientific, technical, and medical advances as well as President Clinton's numerous scandals. Strong language. 2001.

The Corruption of American Politics: What Went Wrong and Why RC 53447
by Elizabeth Drew
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Journalist presents her opinion of how practices in American politics adversely affect the country. Includes overview of lobbying, financial contributions, partisanship, and impeachment proceedings. Highlights the reform efforts of Senators Fred Thompson and John McCain and suggests how the average voter can improve U.S. government. 1999.

The Healing Power of Exercise: Your Guide to Preventing and Treating Diabetes, Depression, Heart Disease, High Blood Pressure, Arthritis, and More RC 53448
by Linn Goldberg and Diane L. Elliot
read by Patricia McDermott
3 cassettes
Two sports medicine doctors simplify a medical textbook, which they co-authored, into layperson's language to encourage patients to prevent and/or alleviate disease symptoms. They advise combining aerobic activities with weight training. 2000.

The Garden Problem Solver RC 53450
read by Butch Hoover
5 cassettes
A guide to diagnosing and treating garden ailments that occur among flowers, vegetables, herbs, shrubs, lawns, and trees, including fruit and nut trees. Discusses various problems that affect your garden and what causes them, and offers solutions to aid in eliminating them. 1999.

The Flag, the Poet, and the Song: The Story of the Star-Spangled Banner RC 53453
by Irvin Molotsky
read by Randy Atcher
2 cassettes
Relates the history of the United States flag, how it inspired the poem written in 1814 by Francis Scott Key, and how the poem was set to music and later adopted as the national anthem. Discusses myths and facts surrounding these events. 2001.

Journeys across the Rainbow: Inspirational Stories for the Human Race RC 53458
compiled by Dale Colclasure and David Jensen
read by Gary Tipton
2 cassettes
A collection of almost eighty stories and personal accounts of being gay or lesbian by authors from around the world and from various walks of life. They focus on such areas as love, business, friends and family, HIV/AIDS, coming out, and spirituality. Includes biographical notes on the authors. 2000.

Conquering Rheumatoid Arthritis: The Latest Breakthroughs and Treatments RC 53459
by Thomas F. Lee
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Lee, a scientist suffering from rheumatoid arthritis, describes the latest clinical research to discover a medical breakthrough for this autoimmune disease. Reports on the latest medicines and gene-based therapies available to treat this sickness. 2001.

The Invention of Clouds: How an Amateur Meteorologist Forged the Language of the Skies RC 53467
by Richard Hamblyn
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
Luke Howard, a young Quaker chemist who gave Latin names to cloud formations in 1802 in London, is placed in historical and scientific context. Explains why his nomenclature (cirrus, stratus, cumulus, and nimbus) is still used in meteorology today. 2001.

Stand by Your Man RC 53472
by Tammy Wynette
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Country-western singer's memories of her rise to stardom from the obscurity of a tar-paper shack in rural Mississippi. Wynette recalls her five marriages, including one to fellow performer George Jones; her children; physical and emotional problems; and the tragedies she had to cope with. 1979.

Healthy Women, Healthy Lives: A Guide to Preventing Disease from the Landmark Nurses' Health Study RC 53475
edited by Susan E. Hankinson and others
read by Patricia McDermott
5 cassettes
Summarizes the Harvard University medical study, which began in 1976, of nurses and their health. Discusses lowering the risk of common cancers, heart disease, stroke, diabetes, osteoporosis, age-related eye disorders, asthma, arthritis, and Alzheimer's disease. Includes advice on changing behaviors and making decisions. 2001.

Mayo Clinic on High Blood Pressure RC 53479
edited by Sheldon G. Sheps
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
Medical experts from the Mayo Clinic describe the dangers of the common condition called hypertension, or high blood pressure. Discusses diagnosis, treatment, lifestyle changes, and medications available to control the illness. 1999.

The American Dream: Stories from the Heart of Our Nation RC 53480
by Dan Rather
read by Jack Fox
3 cassettes
Broadcast journalist Dan Rather collected inspirational stories from a cross section of Americans who expressed their feelings about transforming dreams into reality. Themes include freedom, enterprise, pursuit of happiness, family, celebrity, education, innovation, and service. 2001.

I Only Say This because I Love You: How the Way We Talk Can Make or Break Family Relationships throughout Our Lives RC 53484
by Deborah Tannen
read by Sharon Murray
3 cassettes
Linguist author of *You Just Don't Understand (RC 32031)* and other books explains how to facilitate positive interactions within the family. Includes ways to converse with teens, adult children, siblings, and others by distinguishing overt from unstated meanings of words. 2001.

The Best American Essays, 2001 RC 53485
edited by Kathleen Norris
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
Twenty-six writers explore their reactions to a variety of experiences. Stephen King describes the trauma of being hit by a van and his recovery process; Reynolds Price explains his religious beliefs to his godchild; and Anne Fadiman expresses her feelings about postal service and e-mail. 2001.

Help Yourself: Celebrating the Rewards of Resilience and Gratitude RC 53489
by Dave Pelzer
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
The author of *A Child Called "It" (RC 45004)* and other books about his abusive childhood describes how to survive a negative environment, develop inner potential, release guilt, and resolve past issues by becoming personally responsible for one's own happiness. Offers practical suggestions for creating goals and developing a positive outlook. 2000.

Stalingrad RC 53544
by Antony Beevor
read by Steven Carpenter
3 cassettes
The author uses primary sources, interviews with survivors, and Russian archives to portray the siege of Stalingrad by the German Sixth Army in 1942–1943. Describes the suffering of Russian and German soldiers and the brutal methods used to control the starving and demoralized troops. Violence. 1998.

Corning and the Craft of Innovation RC 53549
by Margaret B.W. Graham and Alec T. Shuldiner
read by MaryBeth Wise
4 cassettes
Traces the 150-year history of America's leading glass manufacturer, a family-owned business in upstate New York. Chronicles the company's development of glass as art and science from Pyrex to Steuben crystal, from fiber optics to ceramic substrates for catalytic converters. 2001.

***Hunting Trips of a Ranchman: Sketches of Sport on the Northern Cattle Plains* and *The Wilderness Hunter: An Account of the Big Game of the United States and Its Chase with Horse, Hound, and Rifle* RC 53550**
by Theodore Roosevelt
read by Robert Sams
5 cassettes
Two complete volumes, from 1885 and 1893, respectively, record Roosevelt's adventures tracking grizzly bears in the Dakota Badlands and his appreciation of the wilderness. Portrays the land, the people, and the animals he encountered. 1996.

Every Breath You Take: A True Story of Obsession, Revenge, and Murder RC 53561
by Ann Rule
read by Laura Giannarelli
4 cassettes
Account of the 1997 Florida murder of Sheila Bellush in front of her quadruplet toddlers. The killers were captured within weeks, but it took years to convict Sheila's ex-husband Allen Blackthorne of the crime. Reconstructs the life of the aberrant, cross-dressing multimillionaire. Some violence and some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

The Death of the West: How Dying Populations and Immigrant Invasions Imperil Our Country and Civilization RC 53562
by Patrick J. Buchanan
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Former presidential candidate outlines probable factors that contribute to the decline of western culture in Europe and America. Offers possible solutions for preserving morality and preventing the "balkanization" of the United States. Bestseller 2002.

The Tornado: Nature's Ultimate Windstorm RC 53599
by Thomas P. Grazulis
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
Meteorologist and researcher of weather phenomena describes the formation, forecasting, history, and science of the tornado life cycle. Recounts personal anecdotes, common myths, and puzzling elements of human interaction with this incredible and unpredictable force. 2001.

The Price of Terror: One Bomb, One Plane, 270 Lives; the History-Making Struggle for Justice after Pan Am 103 RC 53614
by Allan Gerson and Jerry Adler
read by Mary Kane
3 cassettes
Describes attorney Allan Gerson's legal battles on behalf of victims of the 1988 terrorist plane crash over Lockerbie, Scotland. In an effort to obtain justice after the U.S. government eschewed military options, the families sued Libya —an action that led to a new interpretation of international law. 2001.

The Darwin Awards II: Unnatural Selection RC 53645
by Wendy Northcutt
read by Gregory Gorton
1 cassette
This sequel to *The Darwin Awards: Evolution in Action (RC 51562)* presents another collection of misadventures honoring those whose mistakes remove them from the gene pool in a sublimely idiotic fashion. For instance, the man who did not survive amateur liposuction performed in his garage. Bestseller 2001.

Chicken Soup for the Teenage Soul on Tough Stuff: Stories of Tough Times and Lessons Learned RC 53647
edited by Jack Canfield and others
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
A selection of anecdotes and poems about difficult issues, mostly written by teens to encourage their peers. Considers such challenges as drinking and driving, loss of friendships and relationships, death and suicide, emotional and physical abuse, and eating disorders.

For junior and senior high readers. Bestseller 2001.

The Bureau and the Mole: The Unmasking of Robert Philip Hanssen, the Most Dangerous Double Agent in FBI History RC 53651
by David A. Vise
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist investigates the life and crimes of spy Robert Hanssen, who was arrested in February 2001. Examines Hanssen's psychological and sexual profile and his motivations in betraying his country. Discusses the FBI's uneven performance under director Louis Freeh. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2002.

What Went Wrong? Western Impact and Middle Eastern Response RC 53661
by Bernard Lewis
read by Peter Johnson
2 cassettes
A concise study of the rise and decline of the Islamic world and its reaction to Western cultural dominance between the eighteenth and twentieth centuries. Discusses Muslim disposition to govern by religious law, reluctance to recognize women's rights, and intolerance of intellectual freedom. Bestseller 2002.

The Wrinkle Cure: Unlock the Power of Cosmeceuticals for Supple, Youthful Skin RC 53662
by Nicholas Perricone
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Dermatologist at Yale University recommends a health-care system emphasizing the nutrients necessary to maintain good skin well past middle age. Discusses different skin types, tones, and colors vis-à-vis the aging process as well as the use of antioxidants and other curative measures. Bestseller 2000.

Driver #8 RC 53666
by Dale Earnhardt
read by Tom Burch
2 cassettes
Ralph Dale Earnhardt Jr., son of the late NASCAR racing champion, describes his own first year on the stock-car circuit. Details the strategy and camaraderie between the drivers and their support teams, the difficulties a rookie encounters, and the tragedy of his father's death. Some strong language. Bestseller 2002.

Inside Terrorism RC 53680
by Bruce Hoffman
read by Corrie James
3 cassettes
Investigates the nature of political terrorism, from the French Revolution to religious and state-sponsored terrorist activities of the 1990s. Discusses ethnic and nationalist movements of the post-colonial era, the appeal of terror to religious fundamentalists, and terrorists' exploitation of mass media. 1998.

Citizen Coors: An American Dynasty RC 53687
by Dan Baum
read by Terence Aselford
3 cassettes
Saga of the family-owned brewery of Golden, Colorado, founded by German stowaway Adolph Coors in 1873. Despite a record of anti-unionism and right-wing conservatism, the family gradually comes to a reluctant acceptance of modern business practices. But its history is punctuated by tales of suicide, strikes, disinheritance, kidnapping,

and murder. Some strong language. 2000.

Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures RC 53693
by Mary Baker Eddy
read by Anne Flosnik
5 cassettes
The basic text of the Church of Christ, Scientist, written by the church's founder, Mary Baker Eddy, to explain the tenets of Christian Science. The "Key to the Scriptures" analyzes certain passages in Genesis and Revelation in relation to Christian Science. 1875.

Storm over the Gilberts: War in the Central Pacific, 1943 RC 53694
by Edwin P. Hoyt
read by Erik Synnestvedt
1 cassette
History of the World War II American naval campaign for the Gilbert Islands to prevent their use by the Japanese. Discusses the leadership problems encountered by Admiral Raymond Spruance and other strong personalities involved with the Fifth Fleet. Followed by *To the Marianas: War in the Central Pacific, 1944 (RC 51499)*. 1978.

African Game Trails: An Account of the African Wanderings of an American Hunter-Naturalist RC 53704
by Theodore Roosevelt
read by Robert Sams
4 cassettes
Roosevelt describes his eleven-month safari with his son, Kermit, in East Africa after leaving the presidency in 1909. In spite of the adventurous tone, the former president explains that he undertook the hunting expedition to obtain specimens to further scientific knowledge in the U.S. 1910.

Journey into Diplomacy: A Black Man's Shocking Discovery RC 53714
by Leaford C. Williams
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
A Jamaican-born diplomat describes growing up in poverty in his native land and his eventual emigration to the United States. Relates his efforts to obtain an education, his military stint in Korea, his career in the foreign service and other government agencies, and his encounters with prejudice. 1996.

The Guy Book: An Owner's Manual for Teens; Safety, Maintenance, and Operating Instructions for Teens RC 53715
by Mavis Jukes
read by Frank Coffee
2 cassettes
Provides information for male adolescents on changes that occur in their bodies during puberty and offers advice on sexual topics, nutrition, health, relationships, peer pressure, etiquette, and other issues. For junior and senior high readers. 2002.

The Wilkomirski Affair: A Study in Biographical Truth RC 53717
by Stefan Maechler
read by Ken Kliban
3 cassettes
Results of a Swiss historian's exhaustive investigation of the authenticity of Binjamin Wilkomirski's *Fragments*, a childhood Holocaust memoir that was denounced as a fabrication after its 1995 publication. Analyzes Wilkomirski's sources and weighs whether the work was a deliberate fraud or the product of delusion. Includes the full text of *Fragments*. 2001.

Where the Stress Falls: Essays
RC 53718
by Susan Sontag
read by Catherine Byers
3 cassettes
Forty-one essays providing an American intellectual's insights on writers and artists, reading, performing and visual arts, and personal interests. Includes appreciations of writers W.G. Sebald and Joseph Brodsky, reflections on photographer Robert Mapplethorpe, and recollections of directing *Waiting for Godot* in wartime Sarajevo. 2001.

On Friendship: A Book for Teenagers
RC 53719
by Kimberly Kirberger
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
A discussion of the concept of friendship is supplemented by poems, short stories, anecdotes, and essays written by teens. Examines the pros and cons of cliques, jealousy and betrayal, social and family problems, and other challenges inherent in a relationship. For junior and senior high readers. 2000.

Back Sense: A Revolutionary Approach to Halting the Cycle of Chronic Back Pain
RC 53724
by Ronald D. Siegel and others
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Two doctors and a consultant in psychology, all of whom have suffered chronic back pain, believe there is a connection between emotional stress, muscle tension, and the pain in one's body. They suggest an approach to back pain that uses both traditional and alternative medicine. 2001.

The Oxford Fiftieth Anniversary Book of the United Nations RC 53726
by Charles Patterson
read by John Horton
2 cassettes
History of the United Nations, from its creation in 1945. Describes the organization's charter, goals, and major agencies and programs. Discusses how the U.N. responds to world problems and the role it plays in peacekeeping. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1995.

Cybergrace: The Search for God in the Digital World RC 53727
by Jennifer J. Cobb
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Theologian and computer consultant proposes that the greatest spiritual challenge is to find the sacred in cyberspace. Articulates ways to incorporate the digital realm into the spiritual life. Explains her views that reaching this goal requires self-knowledge, ethically guided behavior, and clear communication with sacred aspects of the self. 1998.

Tears and Tantrums: What to Do When Babies and Children Cry RC 53728
by Aletha J. Solter
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
Developmental psychologist explains why crying is necessary for infants and children and how parents can cope with tears and tantrums. Describes how to interpret and respond to various forms of weeping and how to help the child rely on inner resources. 1998.

The Mummies of Ürümchi RC 53733
by Elizabeth Wayland Barber
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Archaeologist and textile expert discusses the mysteries of the well-preserved Caucasian mummies found in western China. With few artifacts other than clothing to aid her, Barber deduces much about the mummies' sheepherding culture and connections to Europe and the Middle East. 1999.

In the Name of Identity: Violence and the Need to Belong RC 53736
by Amin Maalouf
read by Bill Wallace
1 cassette
A philosophical exploration of concepts concerning the personal self and ethnic, political, or religious affiliations, specifically those embracing violence. Argues that, to progress to a peaceful society, people must respect "identities" with multiple allegiances and multilingual abilities. 2000.

The Teenagers' Guide to School outside the Box RC 53752
by Rebecca Greene
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Explores alternative education for teens including internships, apprenticeships, and volunteer opportunities as well as traveling, summer activities, and distance learning. Besides anecdotes from young people, the author includes advice on resume writing and provides resources for further information. For senior high readers. 2001.

The Forbidden City RC 53754
by May Holdsworth
read by Yolande Bavan
1 cassette
Chronicle of the history, architecture, daily life, treasures, and ceremonies of the imperial palace, called the Forbidden City, in Peking (now Beijing), China. Built in 1420 during the Ming dynasty, the capital of the celestial empire housed the emperor, his concubines, and eunuchs. 1998.

La Grande Thérèse: The Greatest Scandal of the Century RC 53755
by Hilary Spurling
read by Frank Coffee
1 cassette
Chronicles the 1902 scandal that nearly toppled France's Third Republic. Describes how the schemes, fantasies, and lies of a French high-society lady, Thérèse Humbert, led to the bankruptcy of the rich and famous, including the in-laws of artist Henri Matisse. 2000.

How to Practice: The Way to a Meaningful Life RC 53769
by Dalai Lama
read by Tom Burch
1 cassette
Specific Buddhist techniques for overcoming such everyday obstacles as anger, mistrust, jealousy, and insecurity and thus gaining mental peace and compassion. Recommends developing a good heart and mind through a moral attitude and an understanding of reality. Bestseller 2002.

See No Evil: The True Story of a Ground Soldier in the CIA's War on Terrorism RC 53770
by Robert Baer
read by Richard Hauenstein
2 cassettes
Memoir of a former CIA operative recounting his adventures in the Middle East, including an attempt to incite rebellion against Saddam Hussein in 1990s Iraq. Discusses the agency's covert operations and excess bureaucracy and examines the roots of terrorism. Some strong language. Bestseller 2002.

The Feminine Mystique RC 53797
by Betty Friedan
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes (Reissue)
1960s feminist discusses problems of American women. Considers a distorted image of femininity to have arrested women's intellectual growth, hampered their sexual fulfillment, threatened their marriages, and become their major barrier to self-realization. 1963.

The Clash of Civilizations and the Remaking of World Order RC 53800
by Samuel P. Huntington
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
Harvard professor and former National Security Council member asserts that conflict among different civilizations or cultural groups is "the central and most dangerous dimension of the emerging global politics." Presents research documenting the resurgence of non-Western cultures, particularly China and the Islamic world, and makes recommendations for a pragmatic foreign policy. Bestseller 1996.

Jihad: The Rise of Militant Islam in Central Asia RC 53807
by Ahmed Rashid
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
Pakistani journalist examines the history of Central Asia and its indigenous Islamic movements and then focuses on three of the most significant—the Islamic Renaissance Party (IRP), the Hizb ut-Tahrir (HT), and the Islamic Movement of Uzbekistan (IMU). Discusses their origins, beliefs, influence, activities, rapid spread, and the secrecy shrouding their leaders. 2002.

No Cause for Panic RC 53808
by Russell Baker
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes (Reissue)
A collection of humorous articles on the American political and social scenes. Comments on events in Washington, D.C., and customs around the country. Originally published in Baker's column "Observer" for the *New York Times* in the early 1960s. 1964.

Focus on Ability: Serving Girls with Special Needs RC 53809
by Martha E. Carroll and Martha Jo Dennison
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
Similar in scope to *Explorers with Disabilities Program Helps (RC 50084)* for young adults in the Exploring program. Provides the scout leader with advice and activities for Girl Scouts with disabilities. Describes how to prepare the troop and fulfill legal requirements. 1998.

All Things Possible: My Story of Faith, Football, and the Miracle Season RC 53814
by Kurt Warner
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Kurt Warner, St. Louis Rams quarterback, describes the 1999 football season, when his team won the Super Bowl. Warner explains how his Christian beliefs helped him meet the challenges of menial jobs, parenting a legally blind stepson, and minor-league play as he climbed to the top of his profession. 2000.

To Race the Wind: An Autobiography RC 53815
by Harold Krents
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Recollections of a former Harvard law student who is blind. Krents fell in love, graduated with honors, and passed the New York State bar exam. Recalls childhood loneliness and being taunted in public school. Credits family support for his perseverance. Krents's experiences inspired the popular play and movie *Butterflies Are Free (RD 6188).* 1972.

Tales of Power RC 53816
by Carlos Castaneda
read by Chris Parente
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Describes the author's apprenticeship in Mexico to Don Juan, the Yaqui Indian sorcerer. Relates Castaneda's startling experiences as he passes through the ego and transcendant-ego in his journey to mystical perception of his total self. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1974.

Final Confession: The Unsolved Crimes of Phil Cresta RC 53833
by Brian P. Wallace and Bill Crowley
read by Richard Hauenstein
2 cassettes
Describes the exploits of the late Boston thief Phil Cresta, who stole more than $10 million during his lifetime. Retired cop Crowley explains how Cresta came clean before his 1995 death. Discusses a 1968 Brink's truck robbery and numerous diamond and fur heists. Foreword by Dennis Lehane. Strong language. 2000.

Knitting without Tears: Basic Techniques and Easy-to-Follow Directions for Garments to Fit All Sizes RC 53867
by Elizabeth Zimmermann
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Introduction to designing sweaters to fit any size and a guide to solving knitting problems. Provides practical instructions for several seamless sweaters; discusses the importance of gauge; and offers suggestions for other projects such as slippers, hats, mittens, and scarves. 1971.

Clicker Training for Your Horse RC 53870
by Alexandra Kurland
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
In this in-depth companion to *Clicker Training for Horses (RC 53871)* an animal behaviorist explains how to use operant conditioning to train a horse to respond positively to a clicker. Offers detailed lesson plans covering problem solving, working with foals, loading a trailer, teaching manners, and riding. 1998.

Clicker Training for Horses RC 53871
by Alexandra Kurland
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
This companion book to *Clicker Training for Your Horse (RC 53870)* condenses the operant conditioning steps that are based on dolphin training. Relying on positive reinforcement, this method can eliminate aggression and other common problems a rider encounters. 1999.

Osama bin Laden: A War against the West RC 53882
by Elaine Landau
read by Bill Wallace
1 cassette
Biography of the "world's most dangerous terrorist" and his radical Islamic view of the world. Traces the early life of the millionaire from Saudi Arabia and his gradual involvement with Muslim organizations that led to a jihad against the west. For junior and senior high readers. 2002.

Mosquito: A Natural History of Our Most Persistent and Deadly Foe RC 53885
by Andrew Spielman and Michael D'Antonio
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Examines the mosquito's life cycle and adaptation to environment. Explores this insect's intimate relationship with human beings, its impact on human history, and its role as a vector of deadly diseases. Discusses modern man's confrontations with the mosquito and reviews past efforts to eradicate the pest. 2001.

Murder in Spokane: Catching a Serial Killer RC 53887
by Mark Fuhrman
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Former Los Angeles detective discusses his part in an investigation of serial murders of prostitutes in Washington state. Fuhrman became unofficially involved in 1997, when he recognized the ineptness of the local police, and he tracked the case until a suspect was arrested in 2000. Some violence and some strong language. 2001.

Blackbird Singing: Poems and Lyrics, 1965–1999 RC 53888
by Paul McCartney
read by Ken Kliban
1 cassette
This collection of song lyrics and poetry written by Sir Paul McCartney, an original member of the revolutionary rock band the Beatles, was compiled at the suggestion of his late wife, Linda. Includes words to such hits as "Maybe I'm Amazed," "Yellow Submarine," "Yesterday," and "Eleanor Rigby," among others. Introduction by Adrian Mitchell. 2001.

While Innocents Slept: A Story of Revenge, Murder, and SIDS RC 53890
by Adrian Havill
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Story of Garrett Wilson, who was accused of killing his infant children. The original cause of death was listed as SIDS (Sudden Infant Death Syndrome), but a former wife was convinced the children were murdered for insurance money. Havill discusses Wilson's childhood, marriages, numerous

problems with the law, and the trial. 2001.

Don't Count the Candles: Just Keep the Fire Lit! RC 53894
by Joan Rivers
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
Veteran comedian offers humorous advice on growing old, including tips on diet, exercise, makeup, clothes, dating, sex, home improvement, and plastic surgery. Some strong language. 1999.

Job-Hunting for the So-Called Handicapped or People Who Have Disabilities RC 53895
by Richard Nelson Bolles and Dale S. Brown
read by Jake Williams
1 cassette
In this updated edition of the popular guidebook first published in 1991, the authors explain the hiring process in the context of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). They present job-hunting strategies and tips, offer advice for the interviewing process, including research and face-to-face issues, and suggest other resources available. 2001.

How to Have a Green Thumb without an Aching Back: A New Method of Mulch Gardening RC 53896
by Ruth Stout
read by Jill Ferris
1 cassette
The author, the sister of mystery writer Rex Stout, left New York City for the Connecticut countryside in 1929 and began experimenting in the garden. Her anecdotes record her trials, tribulations, and the new methods she devised to simplify her work. 1955.

The Fed: The Inside Story of How the World's Most Powerful Financial Institution Drives the Markets RC 53898
by Martin Mayer
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Financial journalist analyzes the Federal Reserve System and explains how its world has changed. Traces its evolution from regulatory agency to powerful economic institution. Examines the Fed's impact on the American market and on the global economy. Covers bureaucratic rivalries, personal anecdotes, and suggestions for future improvements. 2001.

The Farrakhan Factor: African American Writers on Leadership, Nationhood, and Minister Louis Farrakhan RC 53903
edited by Amy Alexander
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Sixteen essays by African American writers who variously laud and denounce Nation of Islam minister Louis Farrakhan. Traces his ascent to prominence, examines the myth and reality behind the controversy that surrounds him, and asserts that Farrakhan is "forcing black Americans to reexamine (their) definition of leadership." 1998.

Don't Let's Go to the Dogs Tonight: An African Childhood RC 53942
by Alexandra Fuller
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes
Recollections of growing up white in civil-war-torn 1970s Rhodesia. Fuller's affection for Africa and for her parents—despite their flaws—withstands her critical scrutiny. Recounts her family's tragedies, including the deaths of children and dispossession of their

home, and their efforts to deal with racism, revolutionary politics, and the struggle for survival. Strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Year of the Fires: The Story of the Great Fires of 1910 RC 53954
by Stephen J. Pyne
read by John Hammock
3 cassettes
The author of *How the Canyon Became Grand (RC 47948)* describes the devastating 1910 forest fires in the western United States and the effects their destructiveness had on government policy that continued throughout the century. Describes the roles of politicians, conservationists, foresters, and the new U.S. Forest Service. 2001.

The Man Who Flew the *Memphis Belle*: Memoir of a WW II Bomber Pilot RC 53956
by Robert Morgan
read by Bob Moore
3 cassettes
Reminiscences of a World War II ace pilot who became the first man to fly twenty-five missions over Europe in a B-17 Flying Fortress. Describes his childhood, the bombing missions, and the nationwide tour that was followed by more action in the Pacific. 2001.

Next: The Future Just Happened RC 53959
by Michael Lewis
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Author of *The New New Thing (RC 49256)* examines changes in the social order caused by the Internet, including decentralization of authority and inversion of traditional hierarchies. Cites examples of child prodigies, such as fifteen-year-old Jonathan Lebed, who used the Internet to manipulate the stock market for personal gain. 2001.

My Forbidden Face: Growing Up under the Taliban; a Young Woman's Story RC 53984
by Latifa
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Latifa (a pseudonym) records her and her family's experiences when the Taliban took over Kabul, Afghanistan, in September 1996. She explains that at sixteen she was planning to study journalism at the university but was forbidden to leave home by Taliban decrees. Some violence. For senior high and older readers. 2001.

The Heart of the Soul: Emotional Awareness RC 54062
by Gary Zukav and Linda Francis
read by John Hammock
2 cassettes
Author of *The Seat of the Soul (RC 36911)* and *Soul Stories (RC 50883)* continues his "journey into the heart." Explores the concept of emotional awareness—"becoming aware of everything that you are feeling every moment." Explains how emotional awareness can help readers cope with anger, workaholism, and other issues. Bestseller 2001.

Seldom Disappointed: A Memoir RC 54082
by Tony Hillerman
read by Michael Russotto
3 cassettes
Author of award-winning Navaho mysteries records his memoir of growing up in depression-era Oklahoma, serving with the WWII American infantry, pursuing a career in journalism, and teaching at the University of New Mexico.

Concludes with notes on his works and some origins of his ideas. 2001.

Only Bread, Only Light: Poems RC 54093
by Stephen Kuusisto
read by Gary Telles
1 cassette
Collection of poetry that has the experience of blindness as a common theme. Author of *Planet of the Blind (RC 45500)* describes childhood perceptions in "Blind Days in Early Youth," adult decisions in "Learning Braille at Thirty-nine," and celebrating music and nature in "Essay on November." 2000.

American Jihad: The Terrorists Living among Us RC 54103
by Steven Emerson
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
Author of *The American House of Saud (RC 23745)* investigates militant Islamic groups in the United States, including Hamas, al Qaeda, and the Palestinian Islamic Jihad organization. Presents documentation challenging the legitimacy of some Islamic charities and contends that terrorist infiltration of the country is deep and widespread. 2002.

Raising Fences: A Black Man's Love Story RC 54238
by Michael Datcher
read by John Hammock
2 cassettes
Memoir by an African American poet about growing up fatherless and adopted. "I've been obsessed with being a husband and father since I was seven years old," he observes. While attending graduate school, he is led to believe an illegitimate child is his. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2001.

West Point: The First Two Hundred Years; the Companion to the PBS™ Television Special RC 54244
by John Grant and others
read by Erik Synnestvedt
2 cassettes
History of the United States military academy, founded in 1802 in New York state's scenic Hudson River Valley. Discusses West Point's traditions and evolution as an institution, some of the legendary figures who graduated from there, and its role in America's story. 2002.

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A Life for a Life RC 50760
by Ernest Hill
read by Chuck Young
2 cassettes
A drug dealer demands fast cash from fifteen-year-old D'Ray or he will shoot the boy's younger brother. D'Ray robs a convenience store, killing the young clerk. After D'Ray's conviction, the victim's father insists that D'Ray fulfill his son's dreams. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1998.

Hidden in a Whisper: Westward Chronicles, Volume 2 RC 51116
by Tracie Peterson
read by Gillian Green
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *A Shelter of Hope (RC 51115)*, Simone O'Donnell's former supervisor, Rachel Taylor, is manager of the newest Harvey House in New Mexico. But there is one drawback—Rachel must work with Braeden Parker, a man she once loved but re-

fused to marry because of a misunderstanding. 1999.

O.K.: The Corral, the Earps, and Doc Holliday RC 51511
by Paul West
read by Dan Bloom
3 cassettes
Consumptive Doc Holliday leaves his native south vainly hoping for a cure in the western climes. Unable to practice dentistry there, he drifts into gambling and a desolate lifestyle while corresponding with his first love—a cousin who has become a nun. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2000.

The Princess Diaries RC 51524
by Meg Cabot
read by Mary Ann Nichols
2 cassettes
Fourteen-year-old Mia keeps a diary of her problems—she's too tall and flat chested, she's flunking algebra, and her mom is dating her teacher. But then her dad arrives from Europe to announce that Mia is really a princess and the heir to his throne. For junior and senior high readers. 2000.

Black Mountain RC 51530
by Les Standiford
read by Jeremy Gage
2 cassettes
As a political reward, transit cop Richard Corrigan joins New York governor Fielding Dawson's entourage on a camping trip in the Wyoming wilderness. Once there, accidents start occurring with deadly consequences until only three of the original party remain. Strong language and some violence. 2000.

Crossing the Mangrove RC 51588
by Maryse Condé
read by Cyn Delafield
2 cassettes
Francis Sancher—a handsome stranger loved by some and reviled by others—is found dead, face down in the mud outside a small Guadaloupean village. At his funeral, the townspeople reveal their history and culture while speculating about Sancher's mysterious death and his ties to Fidel Castro and Angola war victims. 1995.

Sleeping Beauty RC 51631
by Judith Ivory
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
Victorian England, 1876. Newly knighted explorer Sir James Stoker, recently returned from Africa, risks his hard-won awards, titles, and professorship for the love of an older woman. Coco Wild, a French mistress of many men, becomes James's lover despite the objections of his mentor and her son. Explicit descriptions of sex. 1998.

The Mark of the Angel RC 51650
by Nancy Huston
read by Celeste Lawson
2 cassettes
Paris, 1957. Twenty-year-old Saffie, newly arrived from Germany, answers musician Raphael Lepage's advertisement for a maid. Soon Lepage becomes smitten with the remote and seemingly emotionless young woman. All goes well until he sends her on an errand to have his flute repaired. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1999.

A Stolen Heart RC 51985
by Candace Camp
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
1811. American Alexandra Ward, in London to meet business partner Lord Sebastian Thorpe, is unprepared for the surprises awaiting her. She is mistaken for a woman who died years ago, she is attacked numerous times, and Lord Thorpe is suspicious of her motives. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2000.

Whale Talk RC 52057
by Chris Crutcher
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Talented, multiracial teen T.J. Jones shuns organized sports but agrees to help his favorite teacher pull together a swim team. He attracts a group of misfits who become buddies and champions—earning the ire of the school jocks, whose bullying erupts into violence. Strong language and some violence. For senior high readers. 2001.

Memento Mori RC 52084
by Muriel Spark
read by Barbara Rappaport
2 cassettes (Reissue)
London, 1950s. Dame Lettie Colston, age seventy-nine, receives anonymous telephone calls telling her matter-of-factly "Remember you must die." Surprising reactions are provoked in the various other recipients of these calls, who include a celebrated author, an unscrupulous housekeeper, an octogenarian with an eye for women, and twelve occupants of an old folks' home. 1959.

Lord of the Silent RC 52274
by Elizabeth Peters
read by Barbara Rappaport
4 cassettes
Amelia Peabody and her husband, Emerson, return to Egypt for further excavations, despite England's war with Germany in 1915. Their son, Ramses, is attacked in Cairo, ancient royal tombs are being robbed, and fresh corpses appear. Sequel to *He Shall Thunder in the Sky (RC 51073)*. Bestseller 2001.

Ring of Truth RC 52443
by Nancy Pickard
read by Mimi Bederman
2 cassettes
When anti-death-penalty crusader Reverend Bob Wing is convicted of killing his wife, crime writer Marie Lightfoot pens another book. Later she unearths evidence that the minister and another condemned murderer may be innocent. Sequel to *The Whole Truth (RC 52442)*. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2001.

The Rebels: The Kent Family Chronicles, Vol. 2 RC 52647
by John Jakes
read by Bob Askey
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Philip Kent, the illegitimate son of an English aristocrat, joins the Continental Army in 1775 and fights for the revolutionary cause. He also starts a family and continues his printing press. Sequel to *The Bastard (RC 52646)*. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1975.

The Night Listener RC 52746
by Armistead Maupin
read by Ray Hagen
2 cassettes
Gabriel Noone suffers from writer's

block, struggling to create a script for his late-night radio program and trying to cope with the departure of his lover of ten years. The arrival of a book manuscript by a thirteen-year-old boy who has endured horrendous sexual abuse by his parents changes Gabriel's life. Strong language. 2000.

Heaven's Reach: New Uplift Trilogy, Book 3 RC 52766
by David Brin
read by Erin Jones
4 cassettes
This sequel to *Infinity's Shore (RC 52765)* finds the fugitive inhabitants of Jijo facing possible extinction unless the Earthship *Streaker* and its dolphin crew can preserve a secret from numerous pursuers. Conclusion to the New Uplift Trilogy. 1998.

Cross of St. George: Richard Bolitho Novels, Volume 22 RC 52773
by Alexander Kent
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
1813. In this sequel to *For My Country's Freedom (RC 52772)*, Captain Adam Bolitho is acquitted by a court martial for the loss of his ship, after he escapes from prison. Meanwhile his uncle, Sir Richard, returns to Halifax, Canada, and comes under heavy fire while protecting ships from American attacks. 1996.

Sword of Honour: Richard Bolitho Novels, Volume 23 RC 52774
by Alexander Kent
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
1814. Napoleon is finally defeated and exiled. Captain Adam Bolitho remains in Canada guarding the shipping routes against American raiders. Sir Richard is sent to Malta where his mistress, Lady Catherine, visits him. But the skirmishes still continue. Sequel to *Cross of St. George (RC 52773)*. 1998.

Wizardborn RC 52923
by David Farland
read by Richard Hauenstein
3 cassettes
While the Earth King, Gaborn Val Orden, battles against the monstrous reavers, Raj Ahten, once the primary threat to Gaborn, struggles to retain his own empire. And Averan, a young girl, holds the secret to Gaborn's hopes of defeating the monsters. Book 3 of The Runelords; sequel to *Brotherhood of the Wolf (RC 52922)*. 2001.

King Hereafter RC 52952
by Dorothy Dunnett
read by George Holmes
7 cassettes in 2 containers (Reissue)
Thorfinn, baptized Macbeth, fights to unite Alba—later called Scotland—in the eleventh century. One of three brothers who rule the Orkney islands, he uses circumstance, cunning, marriage, and battle to become the dominant figure of the north country. Some violence. 1982.

Sacajawea RC 53051
by Anna Lee Waldo
read by Erin Jones
9 cassettes in 2 containers (Reissue)
Tale of Sacajawea, the young Shoshoni woman who accompanied the Lewis and Clark expedition to the Pacific in 1804. Describes native lore and rituals as well as the journey through the mountains. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1978.

The Heartsong of Charging Elk RC 53056
by James Welch
read by Bruce Huntey
3 cassettes
France, 1890s. While traveling abroad with Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show, the ailing Charging Elk, an Oglala Indian, is left behind in a Marseille hospital. Speaking neither French nor English, the penniless Native American faces daunting difficulties in a foreign culture. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2000.

Souls in the Great Machine RC 53130
by Sean McMullen
read by Suzanne Toren
4 cassettes
In fortieth-century Australia, long after nuclear war destroyed all Earth's technology, head librarian Zarvora Cybeline attempts to build a computer to combat the dark forces that psychically call people to their deaths in the sea. Meanwhile, other enemies plot against the planet. 1999.

The Hearing RC 53220
by John Lescroart
read by Ray Foushee
4 cassettes
San Francisco lawyer Dismas Hardy defends a homeless man accused of murdering an African American woman attorney. Police lieutenant Abraham Glitsky has a solid case, but his relationship to the deceased influences him. As Hardy digs further, he uncovers political corruption and scandal. Some violence and some strong language. 2001.

Crooked River Burning RC 53221
by Mark Winegardner
read by Jack Fox
5 cassettes
The history of Cleveland, Ohio, between 1948 and 1969, is interwoven with the lives of lovers Anne O'Connor and David Zielinsky. Well-to-do Anne realizes her dreams of becoming a broadcast journalist, while blue-collar David strives for political power. Features vignettes of real-life Clevelanders, social history, and sports. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 2001.

The Selected Stories of Patricia Highsmith RC 53231
by Patricia Highsmith
read by Madelyn Buzzard
6 cassettes
Short stories from five previous collections, including *The Animal-Lover's Book of Beastly Murder*, where pets and other creatures take revenge on their masters, and *Little Tales of Misogyny*, featuring female stereotypes. Foreword by Graham Greene. Some violence and some strong language. 2001.

The Collected Stories of Richard Yates RC 53249
by Richard Yates
read by Fred Major
4 cassettes
Twenty-seven stories by an acclaimed American writer who died in 1992. Yates often focuses on dreamers and unfulfilled ambitions. The autobiographical "Saying Goodbye to Sally" tells about the short-term affair of a young novelist invited to write a Hollywood screenplay in the early sixties. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2001.

The Best American Mystery Stories 2001 RC 53259
edited by Lawrence Block
read by Richard Hauenstein
3 cassettes
Twenty of the year 2000's best short mystery stories selected from magazines. In "Lobster Night" by Russell Banks a barmaid murders her employer. In "Easy Street" by T. Jefferson Parker an FBI agent returns to southern California to catch a bank robber. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2001.

The Whitechapel Conspiracy: A Thomas and Charlotte Pitt Mystery RC 53266
by Anne Perry
read by Terry Hayes Sales
3 cassettes
London, 1892. After police superintendent Thomas Pitt testifies against a wealthy murderer, the prisoner's influential friends transfer Pitt to an undercover assignment in a slum. Pitt's wife Charlotte, however, further investigates the former crime and discovers a plot to overthrow the monarchy. 2001.

An Operational Necessity RC 53268
by Gwyn Griffin
read by John Polk
4 cassettes (Reissue)
During World War II, the German captain of a U-boat orders all survivors of a torpedoed French ship machine-gunned. One person survives. Despite claiming he performed an "operational necessity," the captain is put on trial by an Allied tribunal after the war. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1967.

The Year's Best Science Fiction: Seventeenth Annual Collection RC 53269
edited by Gardner Dozois
read by Richard Hauenstein
7 cassettes in 2 containers
Following a survey of the 1999 science fiction market, Dozois offers twenty-seven stories by such authors as Stephen Baxter, Frederik Pohl, Ben Bova, Robert Silverberg, Tanith Lee, Mike Resnick, Charles Sheffield, and Kim Stanley Robinson. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2000.

The Glass Palace RC 53272
by Amitav Ghosh
read by Jill Fox
4 cassettes
Rajkumar, an orphaned Indian boat boy, is only eleven when he is stranded in Burma as the British invade in 1885. His meeting with ten-year-old Dolly, one of the queen's attendants, in the Glass Palace is so memorable that it dominates his life. Some descriptions of sex. 2001.

The Sigma Protocol RC 53295
by Robert Ludlum
read by Fred Major
4 cassettes
International financier Ben Hartman is investigating the murder of his twin brother when Anna Navarro of the U.S. Justice Department saves him from an assassin. The two team up to uncover the secrets behind the Sigma Corporation—founded in 1945 by German capitalists for unknown purposes. Violence and strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Take a Thief: A Novel of Valdemar RC 53301
by Mercedes Lackey
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
Relates the adventures of Skif, an orphaned pickpocket, who attends the Heralds' Collegium and finally gains a companion when he meets a magical horse named Cymry. Prequel to the Heralds of Valdemar series. For junior and senior high and older readers. 2001.

Jackdaws RC 53305
by Ken Follett
read by Erin Jones
3 cassettes
British intelligence agent Felicity "Flick" Clairet must train a group of English women, within days, to blow up the Nazis' main telephone exchange in France and paralyze communications on D-Day. American spymaster Paul Chancellor falls in love with Flick as they plan the mission. Some violence and some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Shadow on the Trail RC 53332
by Zane Grey
read by Ted Stoddard
2 cassettes
In Texas young bank robber Wade Holden promises his dying mentor that he will go straight. But with the Rangers after him, he struggles to find sanctuary. Eventually, with the help of a young woman and her family, he turns his life around in Arizona. Some strong language. 1936.

The Arrival: Gene Roddenberry's Earth—Final Conflict, Volume 1 RC 53379
by Fred Saberhagen
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
At the dawn of the third millennium, millionaire Jonathan Doors hopes the arrival of the Taelons from outer space will mean a cure for his wife's cystic fibrosis. But when his father reveals secrets from the past, Jonathan realizes his misplaced trust. Followed by *The First Protector (RC 53380)*. Some violence and some strong language. 1999.

Trinity RC 53391
by Leon Uris
read by L.J. Ganser
5 cassettes (Reissue)
Traces the fate of three families in Ireland from 1840–1916. The Larkins of County Donegal are Catholic peasants living under the rule of the aristocratic English Hubble dynasty. The MacLeods of Belfast are Protestant shipyard workers originally from Scotland. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1976.

Martyrs' Crossing RC 53398
by Amy Wilentz
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Palestinian American Marina, a suspected terrorist's wife, tries to enter Jerusalem to take her baby to the hospital, but Israeli lieutenant Ari Doron is ordered to bar her. When the child dies, rioters vilify and pursue Doron. Marina's father, a Boston cardiologist, flies back to Israel to help. Violence and some strong language. 2001.

Checkmate RC 53415
by Dorothy Dunnett
read by John Horton
5 cassettes (Reissue)
France, 1557. Scotsman Francis Crawford of Lymond returns to France to lead an army against England. But in both royal courts his mysterious parentage is an object of great interest. Sequel to *The Ringed Castle (RC 22367)*. 1975.

Watt RC 53416
by Samuel Beckett
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
Challenging absurdist fiction by the Irish novelist and playwright who won the 1969 Nobel Prize for literature. In a succession of grim, comic, and surreal moments, Watt seeks meaning in the mundane while he waits for the employer, Mr. Knott, who never appears. 1945.

Deus Lo Volt! Chronicle of the Crusades RC 53418
by Evan S. Connell
read by Gordon Gould
4 cassettes
French nobleman Jean de Joinville recounts the two-century history of the Crusades and his participation as an aide to King Louis IX. He highlights the activities of figures such as Richard the Lionhearted and Saladin, depicts the sack of Constantinople, and describes his own imprisonment in Egypt. Violence. 2000.

Highwire Moon RC 53419
by Susan Straight
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
An illegal alien in southern California, Serafina is also an unwed teenage mother, who is suddenly deported to Mexico without Elvia, her three-year-old daughter. Serafina struggles to return, while the abandoned child is thrown into foster care and unwittingly follows in her mother's footsteps. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 2001.

Mulch Ado about Nothing: A Jane Jeffry Mystery RC 53424
by Jill Churchill
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
Jane Jeffry and her best friend, Shelley, sign up for a botany class before finding out that the regular teacher is in a coma. The substitute is obnoxious, and the class is full of eccentrics. When the new professor is murdered Jane investigates. Some strong language. 2000.

The Singing of the Dead RC 53443
by Dana Stabenow
read by Ann Hodapp
2 cassettes
Kate Shugak provides security for Anne Gordaoff, an Alaskan native running for state senator who has received mail threats. After two campaign workers are murdered, Kate suspects the contemporary crimes are related to the 1915 murder of a gold-rush prostitute. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2001.

Starfish RC 53446
by Peter Watts
read by Jack Fox
3 cassettes
The population explosion has led to tapping underwater geothermal energy, and Rifters—psychotic humans, bioengineered to withstand pressure—maintain the deep-sea power station. Now a malignant new enemy of the human species is rising from the ocean's depths, and the Rifters must find the

means to resist. Violence and strong language. 1999.

Island Flame RC 53449
by Karen Robards
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Lady Catherine Aldley's father Sir Thomas, the British ambassador to Portugal in 1842, sends his daughter home for the season, but pirates attack the ship. Captain Jonathan Hale makes the innocent Catherine his mistress, and before long they fall in love. Explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1981.

Hondo RC 53457
by Louis L'Amour
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Angie Lowe is raising her son Johnny on an isolated ranch in Apache country. Hondo Lane approaches her homestead on foot to buy a horse. Soon Angie and Hondo are involved in a tale of love, war, and honor. 1983.

Rogue Warrior: Detachment Bravo RC 53460
by Richard Marcinko and John Weisman
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Rogue Warrior: Echo Platoon (RC 51838)*, the Rogue Warrior and his British counterpart, Mick Owen, battle an IRA splinter group financed by the software billionaire Kelley brothers. The warrior and Mick track the terrorists to Argentina for a final showdown. Violence and strong language. 2001.

New Stories from the South: The Year's Best, 2001 RC 53461
edited by Shannon Ravenel
read by Bruce Huntey
3 cassettes
Sixteenth annual collection of southern short stories. In "I Am Not like Nuñez" by Jane R. Shippen, teenage Sharky and her half-brother, Nuñez, live in a trailer with their pill-popping mama. They are slipping into serious delinquency, but Sharky realizes she wants to be different. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2001.

Prize Stories 2001: The O. Henry Awards RC 53462
edited by Larry Dark
read by Bruce Huntey
4 cassettes
Annual anthology of the best short fiction published in North American magazines includes seventeen pieces. First-prize winner "The Deep," by Mary Swan, concerns twinship and being female during World War I. Other authors include Dan Chaon, Alice Munro, Pinckney Benedict, and Louise Erdrich. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2001.

Heartbreaker RC 53470
by Robert Ferrigno
read by Richard Hauenstein
2 cassettes
Ex-cop Val Duran, with a drug dealer after him, flees Miami. In southern California he falls in love with wealthy marine biologist Kyle. Kyle's stepbrother, to obtain his father's millions, wants to hire someone to murder Kyle's mother. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1999.

The House of the Seven Gables
RC 53471
by Nathaniel Hawthorne
read by Frank Coffee
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Hawthorne's classic tale of the dark legacy of America's Puritan past. In colonial times, devious Colonel Pyncheon obtained the land for his mansion in Salem, Massachusetts, by falsely accusing the owner, Matthew Maule, of witchcraft. Maule's curse vexes generations of the Pyncheon family, until love intervenes. 1851.

Times and Seasons RC 53473
by Beverly LaHaye and Terri Blackstock
read by Janis Gray
2 cassettes
The women of Cedar Circle continue to support each other through crises. As Cathy prepares for her wedding, she learns her son, Mark, has been arrested. Brenda objects to her teenage son working. Tory struggles to raise her daughter, who has Down syndrome. Sequel to *Showers in Season (RC 52213)*. 2001.

The Company of Strangers RC 53474
by Robert Wilson
read by Jill Fox
4 cassettes
In 1944, young Anglo-Portuguese Andrea Aspinall is recruited in London to become a spy for the Allies and is sent to Lisbon. She meets Karl Voss, the German military attaché, who secretly works against the Nazis. The two fall in love. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2001.

For All Time RC 53476
by Caroline B. Cooney
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Prisoner of Time (RC 47098)*, Annie Lockwood attempts to travel back to an 1899 Egyptian archaeological dig where her true love is working. However, she ends up in antiquity when the pyramids are being built. For junior and senior high readers. 2001.

Six Feet Under RC 53477
by Dorothy Simpson
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Dreary fiftyish spinster Carrie Birch seems an "unlikely corpse" but turns up murdered in her Kentish village of Nettleton. Detective Inspector Luke Thanet discovers a likely motive though, when he learns that the drab little cleaning lady knew some of the villagers' most volatile secrets. 1982.

Finding Forrester RC 53478
by James W. Ellison
read by Chris Parente
2 cassettes
Sixteen-year-old African American basketball player and aspiring writer Jamal Wallace develops an unusual relationship with reclusive aging novelist William Forrester, who becomes his mentor. But being smart is not acceptable to Jamal's peers and arouses the suspicion of his teachers. Based on the screenplay by Mike Rich. For senior high readers. 2000.

Antrax: The Voyage of the Jerle Shannara, Book 2 RC 53482
by Terry Brooks
read by Gary Tipton
3 cassettes
Druid Walker Boh, his companions, and Ilse Witch's brother travel to Castledown in a desperate race to find the ancient magic Antrax before it falls into the hands of Ilse Witch. But there is an unseen enemy stalking them. Sequel to *Ilse Witch (RC 51015)*. Some violence. 2001.

The Fires of Spring: Earthsong Trilogy, Volume 3 RC 53483
by Mary Mackey
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
Queen Marrah's young son Keru is kidnapped. Eight years later his cousin Keshna, trained as a warrior, plots to rescue him. But the impetuous plan could spell danger for her and Keru. Sequel to *The Horses at the Gate (RC 42880)*. Violence and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1998.

Death in Paradise RC 53490
by Robert B. Parker
read by Richard Hauenstein
1 cassette
Police chief Jesse Stone of Paradise, Massachusetts, investigates the case of an unidentified teenage girl discovered murdered and a wife abuser who won't stop. Stone also struggles with his own alcoholism, his ex-wife, and a new love interest. Violence and strong language. 2001.

You Only Die Twice RC 53491
by Edna Buchanan
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Off the coast of Miami Beach, reporter Britt Montero discovers the body of Kaithlin Jordan—supposedly murdered ten years ago by her husband, who is on death row. Britt's investigation leads her among high society patrons and along sleazy paths. Some violence and some strong language. 2001.

"Nevada": A Romance of the West RC 53492
by Zane Grey
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes (Reissue)
"Nevada," first encountered in *Forlorn River (RC 39959)*, was the only name by which Hettie Ide knew him. She would never have guessed that his reputation as a gunman was second only to that of Billy the Kid. Some strong language. 1926.

Where the Bodies Are Buried: A Jeri Howard Mystery RC 53493
by Janet Dawson
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
San Francisco Bay area private investigator Jeri Howard is certain that her late client, paralegal Rob Lawter, didn't commit suicide. Hired as a temp at the food processing company where Rob worked, she discovers a cover-up of potentially lethal bacterial contamination. Some violence and some strong language. 1998.

Killing Orders: A V.I. Warshawski Mystery RC 53497
by Sara Paretsky
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Private detective V.I. "Vic" Warshawski is summoned by her Aunt Rosa to investigate the theft of five million dollars from a local monastery. Before the case is solved, Vic must deal with a secret

Catholic society, an international conglomerate, and the Vatican. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1985.

Last Seen Alive: A Luke Thanet Mystery RC 53498
by Dorothy Simpson
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Employment agency partner Alicia Parnell grew up in Sturrenden, Kent, but has not lived there for many years. On the night she returns to attend a concert, she is strangled to death. The only clues Inspector Thanet has are a red folder and a trail of hate and long-kept secrets. 1985.

Dead North: An Alaska Mystery RC 53499
by Sue Henry
read by Gary Tipton
2 cassettes
Dogsledder Jessie Arnold is driving a motor home from Idaho back to Alaska when she picks up Patrick, a runaway teen. Patrick's murderous stepfather is on the boy's trail, jeopardizing Jessie and her traveling companions. Some violence and some strong language. 2001.

Maggody and the Moonbeams: An Arly Hanks Mystery RC 53500
by Joan Hess
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Maggody, Arkansas. Chief of police Arly Hanks helps out for a week at a teen camp until a woman's body is discovered. The victim has belonged to a local cult called "Beamers," who shave their heads. As Arly investigates she also meets an attractive fisherman. Strong language. 2001.

The Empty Copper Sea RC 53502
by John D. MacDonald
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes (Reissue)
When an on-the-skids tycoon from Timber Bay falls from his yacht off the Florida coast, no one believes his drowning is accidental. Travis McGee and his sidekick Meyer investigate by posing as corporate real estate agents. Some strong language. Bestseller 1978.

I Hear Adventure Calling RC 53503
by Emilie Loring
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes (Reissue)
A pretty young heiress finds unexpected romance when her summer vacation turns into a nightmare of fear and suspicion. 1948.

The Spring of the Tiger RC 53504
by Victoria Holt
read by Connie Meng
2 cassettes (Reissue)
The lively, sheltered daughter of a celebrated London actress is forced to live with two spinster aunts after a scandal ends her mother's career. They live on the ancient estate Ashington Grange, where she learns about her father's life in Ceylon. She marries a tea plantation owner, and soon her world becomes a nightmare. 1979.

Springwater Wedding RC 53508
by Linda Lael Miller
read by Colleen Delany
2 cassettes
Springwater Station has grown and changed over the years. Yet even in the twenty-first century, cattle rustlers are still at work, families are still feuding, and hearts are still being broken. And Maggie McCaffrey's return will be a catalyst to many events. Strong lan-

guage and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2001.

Never Marry a Cowboy RC 53511
by Lorraine Heath
read by Susan McInerney
2 cassettes
1870. Kit Montgomery arrived in Texas five years ago with several other English rogues. His past has kept him a bachelor. Now one of his friends wants Kit to marry his sister. Sequel to *Never Love a Cowboy (RC 53510)*. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2001.

Every Little Thing about You: Yellow Rose Trilogy, Volume 1 RC 53512
by Lori Wick
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Texas, 1881. Slater Rawlings, in need of a religious environment, resigns from the Texas Rangers and heads for Shotgun. Ironically he finds himself on the wrong side of the law. He is arrested by Deputy Liberty Drake, a fascinating young woman. Followed by *A Texas Sky (RC 53513)*. 1999.

A Texas Sky: Yellow Rose Trilogy, Volume 2 RC 53513
by Lori Wick
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
After his recovery from a gunshot wound and with newfound faith, Slater Rawling's brother, Dakota, reports for work as a Texas Ranger. But fate has other plans in store for him: escorting Miss Darvi Wingate to see an old friend. Sequel to *Every Little Thing about You (RC 53512)*. 2000.

City Girl: Yellow Rose Trilogy, Volume 3 RC 53514
by Lori Wick
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
1883. Reagan Sullivan leaves New York City to become a nanny in Kinkade, Texas. After her arrival, discovering that she is no longer needed, she stays in Kinkade and finds another job. Soon she meets Cash Rawlings and is intrigued by him and his faith. Sequel to *A Texas Sky (RC 53513)*. 2001.

Sarah's Patchwork: Keepsake Legacies, Volume 1 RC 53515
by Stephanie Grace Whitson
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
1947. When Lorna's Aunt Sarah died, she left Lorna her patchwork quilt. Lorna uses the fabric in each square to relate the story of Sarah's transformation from an orphan, who came west on the orphan train, to a courageous woman of strength and faith. Followed by *Karyn's Memory Box (RC 53516)*. 1998.

The Reckoning: Heritage of Lancaster County, Volume 3 RC 53520
by Beverly Lewis
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
Katherine Mayfield is now the mistress of Mayfield Manor in New York, yet she finds herself grieving for her Amish family and friends in Hickory Hollow. She finds solace in working with hospice patients. Meanwhile, back in Pennsylvania, Daniel, Katherine's first love, is looking for her. Sequel to *The Confession (RC 53519)*. 1998.

The Robe RC 53548
by Lloyd C. Douglas
read by Annie Wauters
5 cassettes (Reissue)
With the Roman army, Marcellus Gallio is sent to Jerusalem, where he is ordered to put the Galilean Jesus to death. After he wins the martyr's robe in a gamble, it begins to have a powerful effect on him. 1969 introduction by Andrew M. Greeley. 1942.

Orchid Blues RC 53564
by Stuart Woods
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
A bank robbery resulting in a homicide ruins Florida police chief Holly Barker's wedding day. She suspects an inside job and uses her father, Ham, a retired military man, to infiltrate a group of suspects. Sequel to *Orchid Beach (RC 47651)*. Some violence and some strong language. 2001.

Riders of Judgment RC 53594
by Frederick Manfred
read by Chuck Benson
3 cassettes
Bighorn County, Wyoming; 1890s. Brothers Cain, Harry, and Dale Hammett all love their cousin Rosemary, although she marries Dale. When wealthy cattle barons move into the territory and try to claim all the land, the clan fight back to preserve their way of life. Some violence and some strong language. 1957.

Basket Case RC 53626
by Carl Hiaasen
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
Florida news reporter Jack Tagger is demoted to writing obituaries. So he attempts to revive his career by proving that the death of a has-been rock star was not accidental. Jack's investigation uncovers multiple murders, kidnapping, and an assault with a frozen lizard. Strong language and some violence. Bestseller 2002.

True History of the Kelly Gang RC 53638
by Peter Carey
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
Australia, 1880; Ned Kelly is hanged for a series of crimes. Before his execution, Kelly writes letters to his daughter describing his life. Recalls how his mother apprenticed him to a highwayman and how, at age fourteen, he robbed rich Englishmen who despised the Irish. Strong language and some violence. Bestseller 2000.

Falling Stars: Shooting Stars, Volume 5 RC 53642
by V.C. Andrews
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Honey, Cinnamon, Ice, and Rose attend the Senetsky School of the Performing Arts, housed in a New York City mansion. The students suspect they are being watched and begin investigating. Their search yields answers that could destroy their dreams. Sequel to *Honey (RC 53121)*. 2001.

Desire RC 53643
by Nicole Jordan
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Cornwall, England; 1813. After a brush with death, Lucian Tremayne, an English spy, yearns for a son. He finds his mate in Brynn Caldwell, who fears marriage because of an old family curse. Once married, Lucian is afraid that

Brynn is betraying him. Explicit descriptions of sex. 2001.

Pursuit RC 53646
by Thomas Perry
read by Chuck Benson
3 cassettes
Homicide expert Professor Daniel Millikan suggests employing Roy Prescott as a hit man to avenge a man's murdered son. Roy begins a cat-and-mouse game with serial killer James Varney, a young man without a conscience. Soon more bodies pile up. Violence and strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Tom Clancy's Power Plays: Cold War RC 53650
by Jerome Preisler
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Roger Gordian's UpLink Technologies has established a scientific research center in Antarctica to test a robotic landing craft for Mars. The rover has disappeared along with a repair crew. The culprit may be a renegade consortium using Antarctica as a nuclear waste dump. Some violence and some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Tishomingo Blues RC 53657
by Elmore Leonard
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
Professional high diver Dennis Lenahan arranges a gig at a new casino hotel in Tunica, Mississippi. He witnesses a murder by the "Dixie Mafia," befriends Detroit gangster Robert Taylor, participates in a Civil War reenactment with live ammunition, and falls in love. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2002.

The Dragon Queen: The Tales of Guinevere, Volume 1 RC 53659
by Alice Borchardt
read by Ann Hodapp
4 cassettes
A recasting of the Arthurian legend focusing on Guinevere's adventures before she comes to Camelot. Guinevere's powers enable her to communicate with wolves and dragons. But she needs all the forces she can muster to foil the evil Druid Merlin who seeks her downfall. 2001.

The Cat Who Went up the Creek RC 53663
by Lilian Jackson Braun
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette
Columnist James Qwilleran and his two Siamese cats, Koko and Yum Yum, take a vacation at the nearby Nutcracker Inn in Moose County. Soon two murders, a heart attack, and a suicide occur. With his pets' help Qwill breaks the case while gathering news for the paper. Bestseller 2002.

Heaven and Earth RC 53664
by Nora Roberts
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Deputy Ripley Todd of Three Sisters Island is a witch in denial. Dr. MacAllister Booke investigates paranormal activities in the town. The two confront the past as they fall in love. Sequel to *Dance upon the Air (RC 52276)*. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Smoke in Mirrors RC 53676
by Jayne Ann Krentz
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
When her longtime friend Meredith Spooner recently became the second person to die mysteriously in Wing Cove, Washington, Leonora Hutton begins to investigate. She meets Thomas Walker, who is also interested in Meredith's death. Meredith "borrowed" $1.5 million from a college endowment fund and tried to implicate Walker's brother. Strong language. Bestseller 2002.

Hunting Season RC 53677
by Nevada Barr
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Park ranger Anna Pigeon transfers back to Mississippi's Natchez Trace Parkway where both her old nemesis, Randy Thigpen, and her lover, Sheriff Paul Davidson, work. While investigating the murder of a local poacher, she becomes the target of an unknown assailant. Violence and strong language. Bestseller 2002.

To Trust a Stranger RC 53678
by Karen Robards
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
Julie Carlson's early years were tough. Later she was crowned Miss South Carolina, got married, and owned a successful boutique in Charleston. All was well until her husband hired a hit man to kill her. Private detective Mac McQuarry comes to her aid. Strong language, some descriptions of sex, and some violence. 2001.

Red Angel RC 53685
by William Heffernan
read by Rick Rohan
2 cassettes
New York City detective Paul Devlin accompanies his lover, Adrianna, to Cuba to search for her missing aunt, Dr. María Mendez—a hero of the revolution. On their arrival, they are told that she is dead and her body has been stolen by a voodoo sect. Violence and strong language. 2000.

Bodega Dreams RC 53689
by Ernesto Quiñonez
read by Gary Telles
2 cassettes
Spanish Harlem. Chino's young, pregnant wife wants him to go straight, but he becomes involved with Willie Bodega, a crook with an honest dream to help Puerto Ricans. Soon Chino is in over his head. Strong language and some violence. For senior high and older readers. 2000.

The Case of Dr. Sachs RC 53690
by Martin Winckler
read by Corrie James
3 cassettes
A rural French physician's dedication to the Hippocratic oath, his prevailing kindness to humanity, and his disgruntlement with medical bureaucracy are revealed through vignettes of his interactions with patients, friends, and medical associates. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. Prix du Livre Inter. 2000.

Hunts in Dreams RC 53703
by Tom Drury
read by Michael Russotto
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *The End of Vandalism (RC 39024)*, Tiny Darling, now called

Charles, is married to Joan, a former actress working for animal rights. They live with their son, Micah, and Joan's teenage daughter, Lyris. Each has problems, and Joan decides to leave until spring. Some strong language. 2000.

Guenevere: Queen of the Summer Country: Guenevere, Volume 1
RC 53706
by Rosalind Miles
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
4 cassettes
Queen Guenevere's perspective on the tale of Camelot. Guenevere's marriage to Arthur creates Britain's greatest kingdom but other forces and personalities are at work thwarting their love. Merlin and Morgan manipulate Arthur, and Guenevere finds solace in Lancelot. Followed by *Knight of the Sacred Lake (RC 53707)*. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some violence. 1998.

Last Seen in Massilia RC 53710
by Steven Saylor
read by Richard Davidson
2 cassettes
In 49 B.C., Gordianus and his son-in-law sneak into the besieged city of Massilia (modern-day Marseille) to rescue Gordianus's adopted son, Meto. Once there they witness the murder of a woman thrown from the rocks. Their investigation uncovers political intrigues that may lead back to Meto. Follows *Rubicon (RC 49556)*. 2000.

The Spanish Bridegroom RC 53713
by Jean Plaidy
read by Jill Ferris
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Novel based on the life and loves of Philip II of Spain, who reigned during the Inquisition. Once married to Mary Tudor of England, he also had three other wives, including one promised to his unbalanced son, Don Carlos. 1954.

The Vanishing American RC 53720
by Zane Grey
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes (Reissue)
In 1916, young Marian Warner travels west to visit the American Indian warrior Nophaie. He wants her to help him use his eighteen years of white man's education to improve his tribe's welfare. Nophaie, however, is torn between the two cultures and the complications of loving a white woman. 1925.

Strawberry Shortcake Murder: A Hannah Swensen Mystery RC 53725
by Joanne Fluke
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
After bakery owner Hannah Swensen of Lake Eden, Minnesota, judges a televised bake-off, someone murders a fellow judge, Coach Boyd Watson. His battered wife, Danielle, is the main suspect, but Hannah and her boyfriend, sheriff detective Mike Kingston, hope to prove otherwise. Includes recipes. 2001.

Summer Moon RC 53732
by Jill Marie Landis
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Kate Whittington, who grew up in a Maine orphanage, impulsively answers an advertisement for a mail-order bride for Reed Benton of Texas. But when she arrives, she discovers that her husband knows nothing about her. And he has just recovered his son who was captured by the Comanche years earlier. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2001.

The Secret of Shambhala: In Search of the Eleventh Insight RC 53734
by James Redfield
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes
Author of *The Celestine Prophecy (RC 38075)* continues his quest for spiritual enlightenment. As he travels from Kathmandu, Nepal, to Lhasa, Tibet, in search of Shambhala (a.k.a. Shangri-La), he encounters many perils in the Himalayas. Sequel to *The Tenth Insight: Holding the Vision (RC 42041)*. 1999.

Of Sound Mind RC 53735
by Jean Ferris
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
High school senior Theo, who interprets spoken English into sign language for his domineering mother, resents her monopoly of his time. With the support and encouragement of Ivy, whose father is deaf, Theo acknowledges the need to develop his own talents. For junior and senior high readers. 2001.

Ride a Dark Horse RC 53742
by Laura Moore
read by Kristin Allison
3 cassettes
Horsewoman Cassie Miller stopped training for the Olympics to adopt her late brother's twins. Now, five years later, the three move to Virginia when Cassie is hired to train a champion jumper. Cassie falls in love with her boss, Caleb Wells, but Caleb's ex-wife intervenes. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2001.

Wild Orchids RC 53743
by Karen Robards
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
After her mother's death, Kansas school teacher Lora Harding is vacationing in Cancun, Mexico, when she is carjacked by a handsome former DEA agent who is on the run. Max Maxwell takes Lora to his jungle hideout, where the two fall in love. Explicit descriptions of sex, strong language, and some violence. 1986.

The Bishop and the Beggar Girl of St. Germain RC 53746
by Andrew M. Greeley
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
While visiting Paris, Bishop Blackie Ryan of Chicago is asked to investigate the disappearance of a beloved charismatic priest called Jean-Claude. Father Ryan hires a young musician-beggar, Marie-Bernadette, to translate for him. But not everyone is eager to locate the missing man. 2001.

Darker than Amber RC 53747
by John D. MacDonald
read by Richard Davidson
2 cassettes
Travis McGee pulls a lovely Eurasian woman from what was meant to be her watery grave, and he learns that it was her friends and not her enemies who pushed her off a bridge. So McGee investigates. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1966.

The Penny Ferry RC 53749
by Rick Boyer
read by J.P. Linton
2 cassettes
Oral surgeon Doc Adams investigates his courier's murder. He discovers that the death is connected to the 1920s case of Italian immigrants Sacco and Vanzetti, the Cosa Nostra, and powerful

Massachusetts politicians. Some violence and some strong language. 1984.

To Love a Man RC 53750
by Karen Robards
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Maryland journalist Lisa Collins is rescued from armed guerrillas in revolutionary southern Rhodesia by soldier-of-fortune Sam Eastman. They begin an illicit and passionate love affair, but once back in America their disparate lifestyles threaten to break them apart. Explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1985.

The Night Horseman RC 53753
by Max Brand
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Untamed (RC 50459)*, Whistling Dan, a wild spirit of the desert, has won the heart of Miss Kate Cumberland. Now she struggles to make him settle down, while he still feels the call to adventure with his favorite companions, stallion Satan and wolf dog Black Bart. Some strong language. 1920.

Conan the Usurper RC 53757
by Robert E. Howard and
L. Sprague de Camp
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Four tales that include some of Conan's fiercest battles: "The Treasure of Tranicos"; "Wolves beyond the Border," which was never before published; "The Phoenix on the Sword"; and "The Secret Citadel." Follows *Conan the Warrior (RC 22180)*. Some violence and some strong language. 1967.

Evidence of Mercy: Sun Coast Chronicles, Volume 1 RC 53763
by Terri Blackstock
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
Mounting debts following the death of lawyer Linda Barrett's father make it necessary for her to sell her plane, which she lovingly calls "Solitude." Wealthy, arrogant Jake Stevens wants to buy it. Disaster on a test flight becomes a catalyst for some expressly Christian lessons. Followed by *Justifiable Means (RC 53764)*. 1995.

The Oath RC 53767
by John Lescroart
read by Ray Foushee
3 cassettes
Tim Markham, the head of a struggling San Francisco HMO, is murdered in his own hospital after surviving a hit-and-run accident. Homicide chief Abe Glitsky investigates while attorney Dismas Hardy (Glitsky's buddy) defends Dr. Eric Kensing, the prime suspect. Some violence and some strong language. Bestseller 2002.

Psychohistorical Crisis RC 53771
by Donald Kingsbury
read by Roy Avers
5 cassettes
Eron Osa, a man of the 761st century, is condemned to the removal of his electronic familiar—a digital artificial memory implant—for a crime he cannot remember. Now he can barely function amid the complexities of advanced civilization on the planet Splendid Wisdom, so he must find ways to develop his unenhanced brain. 2001.

Catch as Cat Can RC 53778
by Rita Mae Brown and
Sneaky Pie Brown
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
Just when the Crozet, Virginia, postmistress "Harry" Haristeen is welcoming the arrival of spring with her pets (cats Mrs. Murphy and Pewter and dog Tee Tucker), a local mechanic mysteriously dies. While they are investigating, Harry begins dating a handsome South American diplomat. Some strong language. 2002.

The English Assassin RC 53779
by Daniel Silva
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Kill Artist (RC 52432)*, Israeli spy Gabriel Allon discovers stolen works of art after he is accused of murdering Swiss banker Augustus Rolfe. He joins Rolfe's daughter, Anna, in uncovering the truth about her father's collection—while a killer stalks them. Violence and strong language. Bestseller 2002.

Cry Dance RC 53786
by Kirk Mitchell
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Investigator Emmett Parker, a Comanche with the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and rookie FBI agent Anna Turnipseed, a Modoc, investigate a Bureau of Land Management employee's murder on an Arizona reservation. They soon discover corruption within the tribes and the lucrative casino business. Violence and strong language. 1999.

Home for the Holidays RC 53796
by Johanna Lindsey
read by Janis Gray
1 cassette
Baron Vincent Everett exacts revenge on his brother's missing business rival by evicting George Ascot's children before Christmas. When he meets beautiful, innocent Larissa Ascot, Vincent moves her to his home, planning to seduce her. Only he doesn't expect to fall in love. Some descriptions of sex. 2000.

The Honorable Prison RC 53799
by Lyll Becerra de Jenkins
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
Marta's father is a journalist who writes against their South American dictator's policies. As a result, the entire family is imprisoned in an honorable prison—a house in the Andes mountains. Marta describes the ordeals they and their country endure. For junior and senior high readers. 1988.

Across the River and into the Trees RC 53810
by Ernest Hemingway
read by Alec Volz
2 cassettes (Reissue)
In Hemingway's final novel, set in Venice near the end of World War II, an aging and battle-scarred American colonel finds a renewed spirit for life when he falls in love with a young Italian countess. Some strong language. 1950.

The Vicar's Daughter RC 53813
by Eva Rutland
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
When Reverend Frame becomes ill, his daughter Christina asks Lord Ayles-

bury for help, but for his help he demands a hard bargain: that she wed his wayward son, Domenic Stanhope. Poles apart initially, the selfish rake with a roving eye and his spirited bride, who rescues the downtrodden, become a loving couple. 1990.

Deadlock: A V.I. Warshawski Mystery RC 53819
by Sara Paretsky
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Chicago private detective V.I. "Vic" Warshawski mourns her cousin's death when ex-hockey star Boom Boom is discovered floating. Investigating further, Vic discovers that Boom Boom was privy to dangerous secrets involving the Great Lakes shipping industry, and his death may not have been an accident. Some strong language. 1984.

Pistol in His Pocket RC 53823
by Olivia M. Rupprecht
read by Sharon Murray
2 cassettes
While out rock climbing, nurse Lori Morgan discovers the body of a man frozen in ice. With help, she takes the block of ice home and begins to thaw him out. When Noble Zhivago finally awakes, Lori hopes he can help heal her sorrow. Explicit descriptions of sex and strong language. 1995.

Cameron RC 53844
by William Shambaugh
read by Brian Conn
1 cassette (Reissue)
Frank Cameron has neglected his small ranch since his wife died. But then neighbor Jim Dahlman, a big cattleman, burns Cameron's property and shoots him in the leg. Riled into action, with the help of his three proud and dangerous sons Cameron determines to regain what is rightfully his. Some strong language. 1981.

The Mallen Streak RC 53886
by Catherine Cookson
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Thomas Mallen built a manor in the English Midlands in 1767. Each of his many sons, sired in and out of marriage over the years, inherited a white streak in the hair. In 1851 financial recklessness brings ruin to the family. Followed by *The Mallen Girl (RC 51110)*. Some strong language. 1973.

Call for the Dead RC 53889
by John Le Carré
read by David Hartley-Margolin
1 cassette
George Smiley investigates the apparent suicide of British foreign officer Samuel Fennan, who had recently been cleared of charges of communism. 1961.

Die upon a Kiss RC 53892
by Barbara Hambly
read by Frank Coffee
3 cassettes
New Orleans, 1835. Benjamin January, a "free black" surgeon and musician, is employed by an opera company whose financial investor is murdered—presumably because of the production of *Othello*. As January investigates, the multicultural milieu of the city complicates matters. Some violence and some strong language. 2001.

World's End RC 53897
by Joan D. Vinge
read by Gordon Gould
2 cassettes
BZ Gundhalinu had played an important role in helping Moon Dawntreader become the *Summer Queen (RC 34560)*.

Later BZ is reassigned to World's End on planet Four and fears he will never see Moon again. However, his search for his brothers on Four will lead to many unexpected changes. Strong language and some violence. 1984.

The Pride of the Peacock RC 53899
by Victoria Holt
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Britain, 1890s. Seventeen-year-old Jessica Clavering marries a mining executive to salvage the family name and fortune. Back in her husband's native Australia, Jessica encounters mystery and evil surrounding a rare opal. She also discovers her growing love for her husband. 1976.

Authorized Personnel Only RC 53904
by Barbara D'Amato
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Chicago police officers Norm Bennis and Suze Figueroa are tracking a serial killer when a child molester, unbeknownst to Figueroa and seeking revenge, begins living in the attic of her family's old Victorian house. Violence and strong language. Edgar Allan Poe Award. 2000.

The Flame and the Flower RC 53906
by Kathleen E. Woodiwiss
read by Gabriella Cavallero
3 cassettes (Reissue)
London, 1799. Captain Brandon Birmingham is forced to marry beautiful orphan Heather Simmons. He takes her home to Charleston, South Carolina. There Heather adjusts to life in the colonies until her past catches up with her. Followed by *The Elusive Flame (RC 47316)*. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1972.

On Beulah Height: A Dalziel/Pascoe Mystery RC 53907
by Reginald Hill
read by George Holmes
3 cassettes
The disappearance of a young girl mimics crimes from fifteen years ago when three girls were lost just before a reservoir was built. Now a drought leaves old landmarks available for clues. Detective Andy Dalziel remembers the earlier disappearances and vows to find the current perpetrator. Some strong language. 1998.

Stories and Texts for Nothing RC 53908
by Samuel Beckett
read by Graeme Malcolm
1 cassette
Three short stories and thirteen vignettes by 1969 Nobel Prize-winning Irish writer. Originally published in French in 1958 and later translated by the author. 1967.

Second Thyme Around RC 53910
by Katie Fforde
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Market gardener Perdita Dylan is horrified when she discovers that her ex-husband Lucas Gillespie has become the chef at a local hotel. Until now, living with her elderly godmother in the English countryside has been ideal—or so she thought. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2000.

On Green Dolphin Street RC 53943
by Sebastian Faulks
read by Nanette Savard
3 cassettes
Washington, D.C.; 1960. Mary van der Linden, the proper wife of an alcoholic British diplomat, embarks on an affair

with New York reporter Frank Renzo. The rest of her family, as well as America, is falling apart. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

The Redemption of Sarah Cain
RC 53947
by Beverly Lewis
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
Sarah is upset when she has to leave her Oregon real estate business to attend her sister's funeral in Pennsylvania. Ivy, an Amish convert, left behind five orphaned children, naming Sarah as their guardian. But Sarah is neither religious nor motherly. 2000.

Love, Etc. RC 53948
by Julian Barnes
read by David Cutler
2 cassettes
Ten years after *Talking It Over (RC 34498)*, Gillian, married to Oliver and mother of two, debates the role of love in her life as Stuart, her first husband and Oliver's former best friend, moves back into their lives. Explicit descriptions of sex and strong language. 2000.

Tripwire RC 53949
by Lee Child
read by Christopher Walker
3 cassettes
Jack Reacher, a former military policeman, now a Key West drifter, discovers that someone wants him dead. He finds his late commanding officer's daughter, and the two become targets when the true identity of a disfigured Vietnam vet threatens to be revealed. Violence and strong language. 1999.

Forests of the Heart RC 53951
by Charles De Lint
read by Mary Kane
3 cassettes
In her mid-twenties Bettina San Miguel leaves her desert homeland for a northern art colony. There the presence of *los lobos* draws her into the mythic world of the past, where Celtic spirits followed Irish immigrants and met the resident Indian and Mexican spiritual forces. 2000.

Venus RC 53953
by Ben Bova
read by Michael Scherer
3 cassettes
On his 100th birthday, Martin Humphries announces a large cash prize to whoever retrieves his eldest son's remains from the hellish surface of Venus. Martin manipulates his despised younger son, Van, to take up the challenge in competition with Lars Fuchs, an asteroid miner. Some strong language. 2000.

Taps RC 53955
by Willie Morris
read by Robert Sams
3 cassettes
Sixteen-year-old fatherless Swayze is living in the small town of Fisk's Landing, Mississippi, when the Korean War breaks out. Over the years Swayze plays taps at the numerous military funerals for the local boys, falls in love, and witnesses adult affairs and tragedies. Strong language, some explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. 2001.

A Purple Place for Dying RC 54000
by John D. MacDonald
read by Richard Davidson
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Private detective Travis McGee leaves Florida to assist Mona Yeoman to ob-

tain her inheritance from her stingy older husband. But after Mona is murdered in front of him, McGee is left searching for her killer. 1994 introduction by Carl Hiaasen. Some violence and some strong language. 1964.

Roscoe RC 54024
by William Kennedy
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
Roscoe Conway, although active for several decades in the colorful Albany political machine, now wants to leave it as the 1945 elections near. Surprising personal and political challenges, however, including the influence of his cohorts, conspire to keep him involved. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2002.

Kiln People RC 54042
by David Brin
read by Michael Scherer
4 cassettes
In a future world, a human consciousness sends "dittos"— clay, disposable, duplicate bodies—to handle irksome chores. Private investigator Albert Morris, using his "dittos" for field work, takes on bootleggers making illegal copies of a famous actress. And then the dilemmas multiply. Some strong language. 2002.

Dream Country RC 54048
by Luanne Rice
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Daisy Tucker flies to Wyoming to find her runaway sixteen-year-old daughter, Sage, whom she suspects will show up at her father's ranch. Once there, Daisy and her ex-husband, James, begin to reclaim the love they lost after Sage's twin brother, Jake, disappeared at age three. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

The Pursuit RC 54066
by Johanna Lindsey
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
Viscount Lincoln Ross Burnett returns to Scotland after nineteen years where he falls in love with Melissa MacGregor, who is searching for a suitable husband. But the Burnetts are feuding with Melissa's sixteen uncles. Sequel to *Say You Love Me (RC 43553)*. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2002.

Bugles in the Afternoon RC 54073
by Ernest Haycox
read by Michael Scherer
2 cassettes
American Civil War aftermath. Kern Shafter hung up his uniform after Appomattox, swearing never to fight again. But after ten years he changes his mind in order to settle a score with a superior officer. And nothing is going to stop him. Some violence. 1943.

The Shape of Snakes RC 54077
by Minette Walters
read by Anne Flosnik
3 cassettes
It has been twenty years since Mrs. Ranelagh found her black neighbor, "Mad Annie" Butts, who had Tourette's syndrome, dying in a gutter. Having recently returned to England, Ranelagh seeks the truth—causing disharmony among her former neighbors—and revenge. Some strong language. 2001.

I Don't Want to Go to Jail RC 54080
by Jimmy Breslin
read by Robert Sams
3 cassettes
Satirical tale of the twilight of the New York Mafia. Fausti "the Fist" Dellacava

has run the mob's operation in Greenwich Village for decades. When he is arrested he fakes insanity to avoid jail time. Meanwhile, because of his family, the Fist's nephew and namesake can't find legitimate work. Violence and strong language. 2001.

Summer Light RC 54087
by Luanne Rice
read by Jacinda Bronaugh
3 cassettes
Lonely single-mother May Taylor has a rocky new marriage with French-Canadian hockey star Martin Cartier, who struggles with his tragic past. May's six-year-old clairvoyant daughter, Kylie, tries to heal them. The child's insights help them cope after Martin is blinded by an injury. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2001.

The Naïve and Sentimental Lover RC 54092
by John Le Carré
read by Gary Telles
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Aldo Cassidy, a wealthy London businessman bored with his way of life, becomes infatuated with a glamorous bohemian couple—a writer named Shamus and his beautiful wife, Helen. Strong language, some descriptions of sex, and some violence. 1979.

Showdown at Yellow Butte RC 54095
by Louis L'Amour
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Tom Kedrick is hired to ramrod Alton Burwick's mob in clearing the range of squatters during a New Mexico land-grab. He ends up, however, siding with the settlers to prevent a bloodbath and to stop the illegal schemes of Burwick's land company. 1953.

The Kind of Love That Saves You RC 54097
by Amy Yurk
read by Barbara Pinolini
1 cassette
After five years of marriage Sarah is happy to become pregnant. In a series of journal entries to her unborn baby she relates the events of her beloved husband's death, her estrangement from her childhood friend Calista, and the unexpected support she receives from a new neighbor. 2000.

The Stainless Steel Rat for President RC 54114
by Harry Harrison
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Jim diGriz—aka The Stainless Steel Rat—is sent by the Special Corps to the corrupt planet Paraiso-Aqui. His mission is to restore democracy. With the help of his wife, Angelina, and twin sons, Jim runs for office. 1982.

Gone for Good RC 54162
by Harlan Coben
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
At his mother's deathbed in New Jersey, Will Klein learns that his brother Ken, an accused murderer, is still alive. Meanwhile Will's lover is found dead in New Mexico. When the FBI becomes involved, Will begins his own search into the past. Strong language and some violence. 2002.

If Looks Could Kill RC 54169
by Kate White
read by Barbara Pinolini
2 cassettes
New York crime writer Bailey Weggins helps her friend (and boss), magazine editor-in-chief Cat Jones, discover who

poisoned her nanny. Cat fears that she herself was the target as Bailey uncovers adultery, jealousy, and back stabbing among the city's literary elite. Some violence and some strong language. Bestseller 2002.

Rebound RC 54241
by Eric Walters
read by Gregory Gorton
1 cassette
On the first day of eighth grade Sean gets into a fight with David, a new kid in a wheelchair. The two gradually become buddies because of their mutual love of basketball and a growing interest in girls. For junior and senior high readers. 2000.

From a Buick 8 RC 54687
by Stephen King
read by John Polk
3 cassettes
It looked like an ordinary eight-cylinder 1954 Buick Roadmaster abandoned at a Pennsylvania gas station. But within hours, an investigating policeman has inexplicably vanished. Hoping to keep things quiet, the troopers put the car under lock and key. But it has a malevolent life of its own. Strong language and some violence. Bestseller 2002.

Books for Children

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including animals, geography, nature, mystery, sports, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Cassettes Nonfiction

Toys! Amazing Stories behind Some Great Inventions RC 51518
by Don Wulffson
read by Len Mailloux
1 cassette
Discusses the histories of some favorite playthings. The electric train was first used as an animated window display to move toys around. The invention of the super ball led to naming the Super Bowl. Silly Putty is a failed attempt to make a rubber substitute. For grades 4-7. 2000.

Greece RC 51537
by Hong Nam Yeoh
read by Dan Bloom
1 cassette
Provides an overview of this ancient country in southern Europe, including its history, government, people, and culture. Includes information on famous Greeks, their language, the Olympic Games, and the country's relations with the United States. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1999.

The Clock RC 51591
by Trent Duffy
read by Miriam Wagner
1 cassette
Beginning with the Babylonians, who developed an actual calendar, Duffy chronicles the history of measuring time, from the use of sundials through the development of mechanical and dig-

ital clocks. Discusses how keeping time has become so important in our lives. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 2000.

Easter Island: Giant Stone Statues Tell of a Rich and Tragic Past RC 51592
by Caroline Arnold
read by Gillian Green
1 cassette
Relates what archaeologists have learned about the huge carved stone statues called moai, which are unique to Easter Island. Describes the formation, geography, and history of this sixty-four-square-mile island—the most isolated inhabited place on earth—located in the Pacific Ocean. For grades 3-6. 2000.

Liberty RC 51593
by Lynn Curlee
read by Graci Ragsdale Miller
1 cassette
Describes the various stages of planning and work that went into the construction of the Statue of Liberty. Discusses its origins as a gift from France to its final placement in New York Harbor, where it stands as a famous symbol of the United States. For grades 3-6. 2000.

Mummies, Bones, and Body Parts RC 51594
by Charlotte Wilcox
read by Miriam Wagner
1 cassette
Describes various mummies—bodies preserved by glaciers, deserts, peat bogs, and mountains, as well as by human intention—from all over the world. Explains why anthropologists study these remains and what scientists learn from them besides how old they are. Conflicting attitudes toward the dead are discussed. For grades 4-7. 2000.

Soldiers, Cavaliers, and Planters: Settlers of the Southeastern Colonies RC 51734
by Kieran Doherty
read by Dan Bloom
1 cassette
Biographical sketches of founders and influential settlers of the southeastern colonies of North America. Includes Pedro Menéndez de Avilés of Spanish Florida, Sir Walter Raleigh of the "lost colony" of Roanoke, the Calverts of Maryland, James Oglethorpe of Georgia, and others. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1999.

Puritans, Pilgrims, and Merchants: Founders of the Northeastern Colonies RC 51743
by Kieran Doherty
read by Jeremy Gage
1 cassette
Biographical sketches of founders and popular leaders of several northeastern colonies, including William Bradford and John Winthrop of Massachusetts, Peter Stuyvesant of New York, Roger Williams of Rhode Island, Thomas Hooker of Connecticut, John Wheelwright of New Hampshire, William Penn of Pennsylvania, and puritan dissident Anne Hutchinson. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1999.

Lives of Extraordinary Women: Rulers, Rebels (and What the Neighbors Thought) RC 52047
by Kathleen Krull
read by Celeste Lawson
1 cassette
Biographical sketches of twenty powerful women—queens, warriors, prime ministers, revolutionary leaders, Indian chiefs, and first ladies—and how they triumphed. While focusing on daring deeds, Krull also includes events of hu-

man interest, such as Cleopatra looting foreign libraries to add to her world-famous collection in Alexandria. For grades 3-6. 2000.

Native Americans of the Northeast RC 52422
by Stuart A. Kallen
read by Bill Wallace
1 cassette
Discusses Native American tribes—such as the Abenaki, Wampanoag, Pequot, Mohican, and Delaware—of what is now the northeastern United States. Covers their history, daily lives, culture, religion, and conflicts with early European colonists. Summarizes their history through the twentieth century. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2000.

Glaciers RC 52598
by Roy A. Gallant
read by Miriam Wagner
1 cassette
Describes glaciers—differentiating between ice sheets and valley glaciers—and icebergs. Explains their formation, movement, and effect on the landscape. Discusses famous glaciers around the world and how and why scientists study ice. For grades 3-6. 1999.

Let It Shine: Stories of Black Women Freedom Fighters RC 52743
by Andrea Davis Pinkney
read by Tracy Mickens-Hundley
1 cassette
Portraits of ten African American women who advanced the causes of women's rights and racial justice: Sojourner Truth, Biddy Mason, Harriet Tubman, Ida B. Wells-Barnett, Mary McLeod Bethune, Ella Josephine Baker, Dorothy Irene Height, Rosa Parks, Fannie Lou Hamer, and Shirley Chisholm. For grades 4-7. Coretta Scott King Honor. 2000.

Peyton Manning: Passing Legacy RC 53487
by Joe Frisaro
read by Alec Volz
1 cassette
Traces the career of the Indianapolis Colts' quarterback whose father, Archie, was also a National Football League champion. Describes Peyton's training program, leadership qualities, and his decision to complete college before turning pro. For grades 5-8. 1999.

Jolliet and Marquette: Explorers of the Mississippi River RC 53686
by Daniel E. Harmon
read by Margaret Strom
1 cassette
Describes the travels of French explorers Jacques Marquette, a Jesuit missionary, and Louis Jolliet, a trader, who sailed down the Mississippi River in 1673 hoping to find a westward route across America. For grades 6-9. 2002.

Fighting for Honor: Japanese Americans and World War II RC 53692
by Michael L. Cooper
read by Mary Kane
1 cassette
Examines the history of the Japanese in the United States, focusing on their treatment during World War II. Discusses the mass relocation of Japanese Americans to internment camps and their distinguished service in the American military. Some strong language. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2000.

Find Where the Wind Goes: Moments from My Life RC 53721
by Mae Jemison
read by Robin Miles
1 cassette
Memoir of the first African American woman astronaut, who traveled aboard the *Endeavour* space shuttle on September 12, 1992. Describes her childhood; education, including a medical degree; time in the Peace Corps in Africa; and NASA training. For grades 6-9. 2001.

World Holidays: A Watts Guide for Children RC 53729
by Heather Moehn
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
Brief descriptions of religious and secular holidays celebrated around the world. Includes Japan's Children's Day, Mexico's Day of the Dead, the Muslim world's Ramadan, and the United States' observances of Halloween, April Fools' Day, and Pearl Harbor Day. Also describes various calendars. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 2000.

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. RC 53739
by David A. Adler
read by Bill Wallace
1 cassette
Describes the life and accomplishments of the civil rights leader and minister who died in 1968. First chapter book. For grades 2-4. 2001.

Ranchers, Homesteaders, and Traders: Frontiersmen of the South-Central States RC 53798
by Kieran Doherty
read by Randy Atcher
1 cassette
Describes the settlement of America's south-central region through the lives of seven frontiersmen: Daniel Boone in Kentucky, Stephen Austin and Sam Houston in Texas, Henry de Tonty in Arkansas, Auguste Chouteau in Missouri, John Sevier in Tennessee, and Eli Thayer in Kansas. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 2001.

Beyond the Sea of Ice: The Voyages of Henry Hudson RC 53841
by Joan Elizabeth Goodman
read by David Myers
1 cassette
Describes English explorer Henry Hudson's four voyages between 1607 and 1611 searching for a passage to the Orient through North America. Explains that he eventually ended up on the river that bears his name, at what is now New York City. For grades 4-7. 1999.

A Long and Uncertain Journey: The 27,000-Mile Voyage of Vasco da Gama RC 53842
by Joan Elizabeth Goodman
read by David Myers
1 cassette
Describes the voyage in 1497 of the Portuguese captain who, in search of precious spices, became the first European to sail around Africa to India. For grades 4-7. 2001.

The Rules to Be Cool: Etiquette and Netiquette RC 53863
by Karla Dougherty
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
Encourages good manners as a way of life rather than just detailed lists of do's and don'ts. Emphasizes courtesy and kindness at home, at school, and in public and social settings. Includes a chapter on polite use of the Internet. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2001.

The Sorcerer's Companion: A Guide to the Magical World of Harry Potter RC 53869
by Allan Zola Kronzek and Elizabeth Kronzek
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes
Guide to everything magical in the first four Harry Potter books. Presents the folklore, mythology, and history behind objects, spells, and creatures in Harry's world. Discusses arithmancy—one of Hermione's favorite subjects—the hippogriff, the invisibility cloak, runes, and the unicorn, among other items. For grades 4-7. 2001.

Cool Stuff: Things to Make and Do RC 53883
by Jennifer Traig and Julianne Balmain
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
A straightforward how-to manual of projects that can be accomplished in less than one day. Presents simple ways to decorate household objects or personalize belongings. Provides lists of materials needed with step-by-step directions for completing the product. For grades 4-7. 2001.

Ancient Chinese Dynasties RC 53902
by Eleanor J. Hall
read by Yolande Bavan
1 cassette
Traces the rule of ancient clans in China from 2000 B.C. to A.D. 221. Discusses their culture, history, conflicts, and society, as well as their artifacts. Includes information on written and spoken language, Confucianism, and Taoism. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2000.

Carver: A Life in Poems RC 53915
by Marilyn Nelson
read by Robin Miles
1 cassette
Award-winning poet's series of poems portraying incidents in the life of multitalented George Washington Carver (1864?–1943), the botanist and inventor. Covers his start as an orphaned slave eager for education, his friendship with Booker T. Washington, and his career as a researcher at Tuskegee Institute. For grades 6-9. Boston Globe-Horn Book Award. 2001.

Philippines RC 53923
by Jessie Wee
read by Ralph Lowenstein
1 cassette
Summarizes the people, history, culture, geography, climate, and economy of the Philippines. Made up of more than seven thousand islands, the country is the third-largest English-speaking land in the world and the only nation in Asia whose population mostly practices Christianity. For grades 5-8. 1999.

Thailand RC 53979
by Frances Wilkins
read by Yolande Bavan
1 cassette
Describes the history, people, customs, and religion of the southeast Asian country of Thailand. Explains how the agricultural and mineral resources contribute to its prosperity. For grades 5-8. 2000.

The Brothers Grimm: Two Lives, One Legacy RC 54234
by Donald R. Hettinga
read by Michael Scherer
1 cassette
A biography of Jacob and Wilhelm Grimm, who devoted many years to

traveling around Germany collecting fairy tales and legends. Describes their upbringing and career and places them in the framework of early-nineteenth-century European political and social events. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 2001.

Earthquakes RC 54239
by Mark Maslin
read by Colleen Delany
1 cassette
Describes all aspects of earthquakes including their causes, detection, and measurement. Explains the Richter scale and modified Mercalli scale, scope of subsequent disasters, tsunamis, relief and rescue operations, and earthquake prediction. For grades 4-7. 2000.

Valentine's Day RC 54401
by Alice K. Flanagan
read by Colleen Delany
1 cassette
Explains how the holiday celebrating people in love got its name and why cupids, hearts, flowers, and cards figure in the traditions of February 14. Suggests ways to mark this special day. For grades 2-4. 2002.

The Mysterious Ocean Highway: Benjamin Franklin and the Gulf Stream RC 54402
by Deborah Heiligman
read by Colleen Delany
1 cassette
Describes the discoveries and study of the Gulf Stream from colonial times to the twenty-first century, including Benjamin Franklin's interest in speeding up the mail between Europe and the New World. For grades 5-8. 2000.

Cassettes Fiction

Silent to the Bone RC 51532
by E.L. Konigsburg
read by Ray Childs
1 cassette
After screaming for his baby half-sister's au pair, thirteen-year-old Branwell Zamborska loses his ability to speak. Accused of dropping the infant, the boy is sent to a detention center. Then Branwell's friend Connor uncovers the real reason behind his silence. For grades 6-9. 2000.

A Is for Aarrgh! RC 51533
by William J. Brooke
read by Liz Solar
1 cassette
Caveman Brog is frustrated when his tribe's inability to understand his gestured orders results in humorously botched hunts. Brog's embarrassment over his small useless son, Mog, disappears when Mog teaches the tribe their first words. A strange, inquisitive girl inspires Mog to create even more words. For grades 5-8. 1999.

The Jar of Fools: Eight Hanukkah Stories from Chelm RC 51581
by Eric A. Kimmel
read by Gary Roan
1 cassette
A story for each night of Hanukkah about Chelm, a town where the people are either foolish or strangely wise, depending on which version of the title piece—"The Jar of Fools"—one believes. For grades 2-4 and older readers. 2000.

Zelda and Ivy One Christmas
RC 51582
by Laura McGee Kvasnosky
read by Cyn Delafield
1 cassette
While helping their neighbor Mrs. Brownlie make cookies, Zelda and Ivy decide what they want for Christmas. When the fox sisters get home, they begin to wonder if the Christmas elves will leave a gift for Mrs. Brownlie, and decide to make a present for her. For grades 2-4. 2000.

Matilda Bone RC 52441
by Karen Cushman
read by Kimberly Schraf
1 cassette
After being comfortably housed and receiving a religious education from Father Leufredus, fourteen-year-old orphaned Matilda is sent to work for Red Peg, the bonesetter. Still focused on prayer and souls, Matilda blunders her way into the practical everyday world of medieval England. For grades 5-8. 2000.

Death at Devil's Bridge RC 52741
by Cynthia DeFelice
read by Michael Kramer
1 cassette
Thirteen-year-old Ben—last seen in *Devil's Bridge (RC 37491)*—and his best friend Jeff are lured into trouble by their desire to be "cool." A teen tourist on their home island of Martha's Vineyard disappears, others are robbed, and the boys become unwitting drug runners. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 2000.

The Forgotten Door RC 52935
by Alexander Key
read by Ray DiZefalo
1 cassette
When Little Jon falls through a "door" in the universe, he hits his head. Coming to on the planet Earth, he doesn't remember who he is or where is home. His ability to read minds guides him to a friendly family but also targets him for danger. For grades 4-7. 1965.

Facing the Future: Left Behind—the Kids, Volume 4 RC 53125
by Jerry B. Jenkins and Tim LaHaye
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
With the people responsible for the death of Lionel's uncle behind bars, Lionel, Judd, Vicki, and Ryan can turn their attention to events they may face during the Tribulation. Their main concern is the identity of the Antichrist. Sequel to *Through the Flames (RC 53124)*. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Nicolae High: Left Behind—the Kids, Volume 5 RC 53126
by Jerry B. Jenkins and Tim LaHaye
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
Vicki, Judd, Lionel, and Ryan face new challenges in their reopened schools—now known as Global Community Middle School and Nicolae Carpathia High. Because carrying Bibles has been outlawed, they must decide to obey the rules or speak the truth. Sequel to *Facing the Future (RC 53125)*. For grades 5-8. 1999.

The Fall of Freddie the Leaf: A Story of Life for All Ages RC 53278
by Leo Buscaglia
read by Ray DiZefalo
1 cassette
As Freddie learns about the changing seasons along with the other leaves on a tall tree, he discovers the delicate balance between life and death. For grades K-3 and older readers. 1982.

The Star Fisher RC 53421
by Laurence Yep
read by Ann Hodapp
1 cassette
When Joan Lee's family moves from Ohio to West Virginia in the 1920s, they plan to open a laundry. But as the first Chinese people in a small rural town, they face unanticipated problems. For grades 4-7. 1991.

Dream Soul RC 53422
by Laurence Yep
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
In 1927, as her first Christmas in West Virginia approaches, Joan Lee hopes her tradition-minded Chinese parents will permit the family to celebrate the holiday with their American landlady. Continues the story of the Lees' cultural adjustments begun in *The Star Fisher (RC 53421)*. For grades 4-7. 2000.

The Journal of James Edmond Pease: A Civil War Union Soldier RC 53440
by Jim Murphy
read by Brian Conn
1 cassette
In 1863, a sixteen-year-old orphan and misfit joins up with G Company of the New York Volunteers. Assigned to record the company's history, he keeps a journal in which he describes the hardships of camp life, friendships with fellow soldiers, and fear of the battlefield. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Tales from Earthsea RC 53468
by Ursula K. Le Guin
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Contains five tales providing background to Le Guin's Earthsea novels. The short novella, "Finder," reveals how the school on Roke was founded. Another tale relates the story of a young man who would rather be a musician than a mage. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2001.

Alice Alone RC 53488
by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Alice and her friends look forward to starting high school and joining in the extracurricular activities. But Alice's boyfriend, Patrick, breaks her heart when he becomes interested in a new girl in town. Sequel to *The Grooming of Alice (RC 50489)*. For grades 6-9. 2001.

The Stolen Lake RC 53652
by Joan Aiken
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
In the nineteenth-century, on her way to England from Nantucket aboard a British man-o'-war, Dido Twite has many adventures when the ship is diverted to the land of New Cumbria in the southern hemisphere. A sequel to *Nightbirds on Nantucket (RC 50622)* or can be read separately. For grades 5-8. 1981.

A Single Shard RC 53670
by Linda Sue Park
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Tree-ear, an orphan in twelfth-century Korea, spends most of his time foraging for food for himself and Crane-man, an older companion. Tree-ear takes advantage of a mishap in master potter Min's yard to become his apprentice, learning a craft and gaining unforeseen rewards. For grades 5-8. Newbery Medal. 2001.

Nzingha: Warrior Queen of Matamba
RC 53722
by Patricia McKissack
read by Robin Miles
1 cassette
Thirteen-year-old Nzingha writes in her diary about her life as a sixteenth-century West African princess. She loves to hunt and hopes one day to lead her kingdom against the invasion of the Portuguese slave traders. For grades 5-8. 2000.

Cleopatra VII: Daughter of the Nile
RC 53737
by Kristiana Gregory
read by Gabriella Cavallero
1 cassette
Twelve-year-old Cleopatra records in her diary how she fears for her own safety, especially since her father is in hiding after experiencing attempts on his life. She also confides her hopes to survive and become queen of Egypt. For grades 5-8. 1999.

The Other Wind RC 53745
by Ursula K. Le Guin
read by John Horton
2 cassettes
Sequel to *Tehanu (RC 32958)*. Alder, a sorcerer, has been having terrible dreams since the death of his wife, Lily —he sees her and others reaching out to him. His dreams will lead to the transformation of Earthsea. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2001.

The Minstrel's Melody RC 53804
by Eleanora E. Tate
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
Musically talented Orphelia, twelve, runs away from her home in Calico Creek, Missouri, to join Madame Meritta and Her Marvelous Traveling Troubadours Talent Show headed for the 1904 World's Fair in Saint Louis. In the process, the African American child learns that lynching has affected her family. For grades 5-8. 2001.

Parsifal's Page RC 53805
by Gerald Morris
read by Brian Conn
2 cassettes
In the days of King Arthur, eleven-year-old Piers becomes page to Parsifal, a rustic and untutored youth on a quest for knighthood. Their journey reveals important secrets about their families and truths about themselves. For grades 5-8. 2001.

The Graduation of Jake Moon
RC 53812
by Barbara Park
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
Eighth-grader Jake Moon struggles to cope with changes in his beloved grandfather, who is rapidly deteriorating from Alzheimer's disease. Jake considers the elderly man's strange behavior an embarrassment but gradually becomes reconciled. For grades 5-8. 2000.

No More Dead Dogs RC 53822
by Gordon Korman
read by John Polk
1 cassette
Eighth-grade football hero Wallace Wallace is given detention for telling the absolute truth even when it hurts his English teacher's feelings. Sentenced to attend school play rehearsals, he becomes involved in spite of himself and makes some creative changes. For grades 5-8. 2000.

Fair Weather RC 53829
by Richard Peck
read by Erin Jones
1 cassette
Three youngsters travel from an Illinois farm to Chicago in 1893 to visit their Aunt Euterpe and the world's fair. Their escapades at the fair and the differences between country and city ways provide Lottie, Rosie, Buster, their grandfather, and even their aunt with life-changing experiences. For grades 5-8. 2001.

A Sailor Returns RC 53830
by Theodore Taylor
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Evan, an eleven-year-old boy with a club foot, is delighted when his long-lost grandfather comes to visit in 1914. He bonds with this man, who takes him fishing and also walks with a limp. But the old sailor has a secret—revealed after a neighbor is murdered. For grades 4-7. 2001.

Josh: A Boy with Dyslexia RC 53876
by Caroline Janover
read by Christopher Walker
1 cassette
Josh has just moved to New Jersey and is worried about starting fifth grade because he has a learning disability and will be in a special class. Josh's dyslexia causes teasing and bullying, but he gains respect and friendship for characteristics that really count. For grades 4-7. 1988.

How Many Days until Tomorrow? RC 53877
by Caroline Janover
read by Christopher Walker
1 cassette
Josh, who has dyslexia, and his older brother, Simon, spend the summer on a remote island off the coast of Maine with their grandparents. Josh enjoys his outdoor adventures and proves himself in unexpected ways. Sequel to *Josh: A Boy with Dyslexia (RC 53876)*. For grades 4-7. 2000.

Grandmas Trick-or-Treat RC 53914
by Emily Arnold McCully
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
On Halloween, Pip's two grandmothers, who cannot agree on anything, take Pip and her friends trick-or- treating. The kids aren't having much fun, but their trick on the grandmas has a surprise ending for them all. For grades K-3. 2001.

Elizabeth I: Red Rose of the House of Tudor RC 53917
by Kathryn Lasky
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
When she is eleven years old, Princess Elizabeth, daughter of King Henry VIII of England, begins her three-year series of diary entries. She celebrates holidays and birthdays, relives her mother's execution, revels in her studies, and agonizes over her father's health. For grades 5-8. 1999.

Notes from a Liar and Her Dog RC 53918
by Gennifer Choldenko
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Antonia "Ant" MacPherson, stuck between two perfect sisters, is always in trouble and lies constantly. She copes by pretending that she has real parents somewhere else and by loving her dog. A thoughtful teacher and a best friend try to help. For grades 5-8. 2001.

Breaking Through RC 53946
by Francisco Jiménez
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Fourteen-year-old Francisco describes his family's migrant-worker problems in southern California, their deportation to Mexico, and their legal reentry to the United States. He discusses his desire for education in the face of hardships and prejudice. Sequel to *The Circuit (RC 46960)*. For grades 5-8. 2001.

Wagons Westward: The Old Trail to Santa Fe RC 54083
by Armstrong Sperry
read by Rick Rohan
2 cassettes
In 1846, fifteen-year-old Jonathan Starbuck leaves the security of Independence, Missouri, on horseback seeking the adventure and freedom of the trail. Inspired by a guide, Pierre Leroux, Jonathan heads west with gambler Black Jack Bannock's wagon train. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1936.

The Ransom of Mercy Carter RC 54094
by Caroline B. Cooney
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
In 1704, eleven-year-old Mercy is captured by Mohawk Indians when her Puritan village is attacked. She is marched through the wilderness to Canada where she learns native ways and the Catholic faith. Will she ever be rescued? Based on a true story. Some violence. For grades 6-9. 2001.

The Chameleon Wore Chartreuse: From the Tattered Casebook of Chet Gecko, Private Eye RC 54229
by Bruce Hale
read by Robert Sams
1 cassette
Shirley Chameleon hires fellow fourth-grader Chet Gecko to solve the case of her missing first-grader brother, Billy. Chet uncovers a plot involving a Gila monster's revenge upon the school football team. For grades 3-6. 2000.

Run the Blockade RC 54233
by G. Clifton Wisler
read by David Cutler
1 cassette
Liverpool, England; 1863. Fatherless fourteen-year-old Henry Severn becomes a ship's boy aboard a blockade runner headed for Confederate North Carolina. But after some successful trips, the crew is captured by the Yankees, and Henry lands in a New York jail. Based on a true story. For grades 5-8. 2000.

Adrift RC 54237
by Allan Baillie
read by David Cutler
1 cassette
While playing pirates with his little sister, Sally, and her cat, Nebu, in an old crate he finds on the beach, Flynn suddenly discovers that they are adrift on the sea. And Flynn must somehow keep them all alive. For grades 4-7. 1983.

Rain Is Not My Indian Name RC 54361
by Cynthia Leitich Smith
read by Nanette Savard
1 cassette
Eighth-grader Rain withdraws in grief after her close friend Galen dies in an accident. Gradually she realizes that her brother's girlfriend is pregnant and

needs an ally and that photographing her aunt's summer Indian Camp may hamper reconnecting to her community and herself. For grades 6-9. 2001.

Foreign Language Books

The following cassette titles are available in the languages designated.

Spanish

Primeros Casos de Poirot (Hercule Poirot's Early Cases) RC 52971
por Agatha Christie
leído por Juan Ramírez
2 cassettes
Una antología de dieciocho cuentos en que luce el sagaz y afable detective belga, presentándole por primera vez a los aficionados de la novela policíaca por todo el mundo. (A collection of eighteen of the short stories that introduced the shrewd little Belgian detective to mystery fans all over the world.) 1998.

Todos los Santos: Reflexiones Diarias sobre Santos, Profetas y Testigos de Nuestro Tiempo (All Saints: Daily Reflections on Saints, Prophets, and Witnesses of Our Times) RC 52977
por Robert Ellsberg
leído por María Pino
7 cassettes en 2 envases
Un compendio de 365 perfiles breves, uno para cada día del año, sobre los santos y otras personas antiguas y modernas cuyas vidas y mensajes relucen como canales de la gracia en los modos más sorprendientes. Incluye perfiles de los santos canonizados así como figuras importantes como Mohandas Gandhi, Anne Frank y César Chávez.(A hagiography of ancient and modern "men and women whose lives and messages . . . speak to the spiritual needs of our day." Profiles not only formally canonized saints but also people who evinced "heroic sanctity," such as Mohandas Gandhi, Anne Frank, and Cesar Chavez.) 2001.

Trece Sentidos (Thirteen Senses) RC 52981
por Victor Villaseñor
leído por Juan Ramírez
5 cassettes
Abriendo con las bodas de oro de Lupe y Salvador, la familia Villaseñor vive con la pobreza, volencia y perjuicios de la gran Depresión en el sur de California. La familia se sostiene con amor, humor y alegría de vivir. Sigue a *Lluvia de Oro (RC 50714)*. Contiene descripciones de índole sexual, de violencia y lenguaje injurioso. [As Lupe and Salvador Villaseñor celebrate their golden wedding anniversary, their Mexican American family, with love and humor, perseveres through the poverty, violence, and prejudices of depression-ridden southern California. Sequel to *Lluvia de Oro (RC 50714)*. Strong language, some descriptions of sex, and some violence.] 2001.

Internet para Todos (Internet for Everyone) RC 52982
por Jaime A. Restrepo
leído por Juan Ramírez
2 cassettes
Una guía actualizada que explica paso por paso lo que es el Internet y cómo usarlo. Abarca información acerca de la historia del Internet, cómo funciona el Internet, los navegadores y navegando el Web, el envío y recibo de correo electrónico, y recomendaciones de seguridad. (An up-to-date, step-by-step guide for using and taking advantage of the Internet. Chapters detail the history and function of the Internet and explain how it works. Discusses navigating the Internet and surfing the Web, sending and receiving e-mail, and security concerns.) 1999.

En el Nombre de Salomé (In the Name of Salomé) RC 52984
por Julia Alvarez
leído por María Pino
3 cassettes
Novela histórica basada en la vida de Camila Henríquez, hija de la poeta dominicana Salomé Ureña de Henríquez (1850–1897). Madre e hija eran revolucionarios—Salomé por sus poemas patrióticos, y Camila por sus preferencias sexuales y por el hecho de que rechaza una jubilación seguro para ir a ser profesora in la Cuba castrista. Contiene algunas descripciones de índole sexual. [Historical novel based on the life of Camila Henríquez, daughter of the Dominican poet Salomé Ureña de Henríquez (1850–1897). Both mother and daughter were rebels: Salomé in her patriotic poems and Camila in her sexual preference and her relinquishment of a safe retirement to teach in Castro's Cuba. Some descriptions of sex.] 2002.

El Regalo (The Gift) RC 52985
por Danielle Steel
leído por María Pino
2 cassettes
John y Elizabeth Whittaker son una familia feliz con sus dos hijos, Tom, de quince años y Annie, de cinco años. Pero Annie muere trágicamente, y la familia empieza a desintegrarse. Entonces conocen a Maribeth Robertson, una joven embarazada de dieciséis años que ha sido rechazado de su propria familia. Juntos forman una amistad especial, y el regalo de Maribeth les cambiará para siempre sus vidas. Contiene algunas descripciones de índole sexual y lenguaje injurioso. (The Whittakers seem to be a happy, lucky family. Daughter Annie dies, and the family falls apart. Son Tom, fifteen, meets Maribeth Robertson—sixteen, pregnant, thrown out of her home by her father—and forms a strong relationship with her that affects all the Whittakers. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language.) 1994.

Tan Veloz como el Deseo (Swift as Desire) RC 52987
por Laura Esquivel
leído por María Pino
1 cassette
Mientras Júblio, el padre de Lluvia, se encuentra en su lecho de muerte, Lluvia quiere desentrañar el gran misterio de la larga riña entre su padre, Júbilo, y su madre, Lucha. Se trata de la vida agridulce de Júbilo, un telegrafista con el don especial e innato de poder escuchar y reconocer los deseos más ínti-

mos de todo el mundo—salvo la mujer que adora. Contiene algunos descripciones de índole sexual y lenguaje injurioso.(As her father, Júbilo, lies on his deathbed, Lluvia tries to unravel the secret behind his estrangement from her mother, Lucha. Júbilo, who was a telegraph operator in Mexico, had a gift for communication with all except his wife. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language.) 2001.

Harry Potter y el Cáliz de Fuego (Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire)
RC 52975

por J.K. Rowling
leído por Juan Ramírez
5 cassettes

A sus catorce años, el joven mago Harry Potter espera ansiosamente despedirse de los Dursley, encontrarse con sus amigos Hermione y Ron, y asistir con ellos a los Mundiales de quidditch antes de iniciar el cuarto curso en Hogwarts. Pero sus enemigos no se olvidaron de él. Sigue a *Harry Potter y el Prisionero de Azkaban (RC50990)*. Para grados 4 a 7. [Now fourteen, the student wizard is eager to leave the Dursleys and join his friends Hermione and Ron for the Quidditch World Cup before beginning his fourth year at Hogwarts. But his enemies have not forgotten him. Sequel to *Harry Potter y el Prisionero de Azkaban (RC 50990)*. For grades 4-7.] 2001.

¡Ya Llegan los Reyes Magos! (The Magi Are Coming!) RC 52988

por Georgina Lázaro
leído por María Pino
1 cassette

Un poema que cuenta las preparaciones de un niño que espera la llegada de los Reyes Magos. Escribe una carta a los Reyes, celebra con su familia, va a dormir temprano, y se levanta en la madrugada para encontrar los maravillosos regalos de los Reyes Magos. Para grados K a 3. (A small boy helps make preparations for the arrival of the Magi, who bring Christmas gifts. He writes a letter to the Magi, celebrates with his family, goes to bed early, and gets up the next day to find wonderful gifts. Told in verse. For grades K-3.) 2001.

Magazines on Cassette

For a free subscription to these magazines, contact your cooperating library.

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Analog Science Fiction and Fact (11 issues)
Asimov's Science Fiction (11 issues)
The Atlantic Monthly (11 issues; combined issue July–August)
Das Beste aus *Reader's Digest* (German; 12 issues)
Bon Appétit (monthly)
Buenhogar (Spanish; monthly)
Choice Magazine Listening (on loan from cooperating libraries, bimonthly)
Consumer Reports (monthly)
Contemporary Sound Track: A Review of Pop, Jazz, Rock, and Country (bimonthly)
Cricket (for children, on one cassette with **National Geographic World**, monthly)
Diabetes Forecast (monthly)
Discover (monthly)
Ebony (monthly)
Ellery Queen's Mystery Magazine (11 issues)
Flower and Garden (6 issues)
Foreign Affairs (6 issues)
Good Housekeeping (monthly plus special issues)
Health and Nutrition Newsletters (includes **Dr. Andrew Weil's Self Healing, Healthline, The Johns Hopkins Medical Letter—Health after Fifty, Mayo Clinic Health Letter,** and **Nutrition Action Healthletter,** monthly)
Journal Français (French; monthly)
Magazine of the Month (monthly)
Money (monthly plus special issues)
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The Nation (47 issues)
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The *New York Times* Book Review (weekly)
Outdoor Life (10 issues; combined issues June–July, December–January)
People Weekly (weekly plus special issues)
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Selecciones del *Reader's Digest* (Spanish; monthly)
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Sound & Vision (10 issues)
Spider: The Magazine for Children (monthly)
Sports Illustrated (weekly plus special issues)
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Talking Book Topics (bimonthly, also contains selections from NLS News irregularly)
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Arkansas	Little Rock	866-660-0885	(501) 682-1155
California	Los Angeles	800-808-2555	(323) 660-3880
	Sacramento	800-952-5666	(916) 654-0640
Colorado	Denver	800-685-2136	(303) 727-9277
Connecticut	Rocky Hill	800-842-4516	(860) 566-2151
Delaware	Dover	800-282-8676	(302) 739-4748
District of Columbia	Washington		(202) 727-2142
Florida	Daytona Beach	800-226-6075	(386) 239-6000
Georgia	Atlanta	800-248-6701	(404) 756-4619
Hawaii	Honolulu	800-559-4096	(808) 733-8444
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Idaho	Boise	800-233-4931	(208) 334-2117
Illinois	Springfield	800-665-5576	(217) 782-9435
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	Westland	888-968-2737	(734) 727-7300
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New York	Albany	800-342-3688	(518) 474-5935
	New York City		(212) 206-5400
North Carolina	Raleigh	888-388-2460	(919) 733-4376
North Dakota	Bismarck	800-843-9948	(701) 328-1408
Ohio	Cincinnati	800-582-0335	(513) 369-6999
	Cleveland	800-362-1262	(216) 623-2911
Oklahoma	Oklahoma City	800-523-0288	(405) 521-3514
Oregon	Salem	800-452-0292	(503) 378-3849
	Portland		(503) 224-0610
Pennsylvania	Philadelphia	800-222-1754	(215) 683-3213
	Pittsburgh	800-242-0586	(412) 687-2440
Puerto Rico	San Juan	800-981-8008	(787) 723-2519
Rhode Island	Providence	800-734-5141	(401) 222-5800
South Carolina	Columbia	800-922-7818	(803) 734-4611
South Dakota	Pierre	800-423-6665	(605) 773-3131
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West Virginia	Charleston	800-642-8674	(304) 558-4061
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In Brief

New NLS publications

NLS announces the publication of three new catalogs, available in large print and online at <www.loc.gov/nls/catalogs/>.

Cassette Books 2002 is an annotated listing of recorded books produced by NLS during 2002, arranged by subject and indexed by author and title.

Braille Books 2001–2002 is an annotated listing of all braille books produced by NLS during the two-year period, arranged by subject and indexed by author and title. *Braille Books 2001–2002* will be produced in braille in the near future.

Instructional Cassette Recordings Catalog: Music and Musicians is an annotated guide to instructional music cassettes available as of July 2002. It is subdivided into eighteen sections by category. This catalog will be produced in an audio edition in the near future.

Magazine change revisited

NLS will offer a cassette edition of *Horticulture* magazine beginning with the March–April issue. *Horticulture*, published six times a year, replaces *Flower and Garden*, which has ceased publication. *Flower and Garden* was originally selected to replace *New Choices*, which ceased publication last year. Patrons who would like to subscribe should contact their cooperating talking-book library.

Books for Adults

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including biographies, classics, gothics, mysteries, romances, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Note: For the information of the reader, a notice may appear immediately following the book description to indicate occurrences of strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, or violence. The word "some" before any of these terms indicates an occasional or infrequent occurrence, as in "some strong language."

Cassettes Nonfiction

Take It from the Big Mouth: The Life of Martha Raye RC 49037
by Jean Maddern Pitrone
read by Larry Shapiro
2 cassettes
Biography of the actress, comedienne, singer, and dancer who died in 1994. Describes her beginnings with her vaudeville family, her multifaceted career, and her commitment to entertaining military troops. Also discusses her lack of education, substance abuse, suicide attempts, seven failed marriages, and problems with her only daughter. 1999.

Gray Dawn: How the Coming Age Wave Will Transform America—and the World RC 49510
by Peter G. Peterson
read by Terence Aselford
2 cassettes
Warns of an impending demographic time bomb that threatens the economic and political stability of the developed world in the twenty-first century. Argues that the combination of an aging baby boom population, increased longevity, and low fertility rates portends a mounting crisis. Discusses some remedial strategies. 1999.

Inside the Halo and Beyond: The Anatomy of a Recovery RC 51632
by Maxine Kumin
read by Mitzi Friedlander
1 cassette
On a perfect midsummer day in Vermont in 1998, poet and experienced horsewoman Kumin broke her neck when her horse-drawn carriage overturned. She records the medical, physical, and emotional details of the long recovery process, and tells how her family, friends, and love of poetry sustained her during the ordeal. 2000.

Hitler 1936–1945: Nemesis RC 51684
by Ian Kershaw
read by Roy Avers
9 cassettes in 2 containers
This sequel to *Hitler 1889–1936: Hubris (RC 51683)* reconstructs the dictator's world war, including his use of ethnic cleansing while maintaining a totalitarian state inside Germany. The country heads for self-destruction as their leader pursues his quest for complete dominance of Europe. Violence. 2000.

True Stories of Baseball's Hall of Famers RC 51860
by David Kellogg
read by Graci Ragsdale
1 cassette
Sixty brief accounts of baseball's most productive players from the early 1900s to 1980. Includes well-known players such as Cy Young, Connie Mack, Ty Cobb, Jackie Robinson, Yogi Berra, Hank Aaron, and Sandy Koufax. For junior and senior high readers. 2000.

The Secret of Happiness RC 51861
by Billy Graham
read by Don Nelson
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Offers advice on how to apply the simple yet revolutionary formulas of the King James Version of the Beatitudes in everyday life in order to achieve serenity and contentment. 1955.

Why Forgive? RC 51864
by Johann Christoph Arnold
read by Phil Regensdorf
1 cassette
A pastor relates anecdotes about the power of forgiveness in everyday life. Includes stories of unhappy families, failed business deals, and victims of crime who find peace within themselves and with their offenders. 2000.

Let Evening Come: Reflections on Aging RC 51868
by Mary C. Morrison
read by Gillian Green
1 cassette
Quaker-inspired views on aging; advice for growing old gracefully and peacefully. Suggestions for relating to family and friends and learning to accept death. Preface by Morris L. West. 1998.

Never Eat Your Heart Out RC 52055
by Judith Moore
read by Susan McInerney
3 cassettes
A grab bag of autobiographical sketches in which Moore relates food's major role in her life. She recalls the mud pies she made as a young child, the dinners she planned as a bride, the dog food pet-té she made for unsuspecting friends, and the special meals she concocted while having an affair. 1997.

Ten Fun Things to Do before You Die RC 52327
by Karol Jackowski
read by Peg Gilleland
1 cassette
A nun offers advice on making a life of contentment. She includes suggestions on having fun, improving your personality, treating yourself right, spending time alone, thinking about nuns, and living like there is nothing to lose. 1989.

The Outermost House: A Year of Life on the Great Beach of Cape Cod RC 52331
by Henry Beston
read by Cyn Delafield
1 cassette (Reissue)
In 1926–1927 a French-Irish writer extended a two-week vacation into a year of observing nature—the sea and land, the birds, and the seasons—at his cottage on Cape Cod. Beston's future wife, the author Elizabeth Coatsworth, insisted on the publication of his musings, which became an environmental classic. 1928.

Pro Wrestling: From Carnivals to Cable TV RC 52332
by Keith Elliot Greenberg
read by Gary Roan
1 cassette
This history of professional wrestling chronicles its transformation into popular televised entertainment by promoter Vince McMahon and others. Mentions past and current superstars, notes the role of women and the impact of scandals and controversy, and describes the sport in Japan. For junior and senior high readers. 2000.

Blessing the Boats: New and Selected Poems, 1988–2000 RC 52339
by Lucille Clifton
read by Cyn Delafield
1 cassette
A collection of poetry about the human condition personalized through the voice of an African American woman. She shares observations about lynching, race, being female, menstruation, illness, celebrations, and the puzzles of existence. Some strong language. National Book Award. 2000.

Breast Cancer RC 52346
by Janet Majure
read by Miriam Wagner
1 cassette
Discusses the symptoms, causes, treatments, and prevention of breast cancer. Also presents a history of the disease and ongoing research while stressing the importance of self-examination and early detection. For senior high and older readers. 2000.

Groucho: The Life and Times of Julius Henry Marx RC 52600
by Stefan Kanfer
read by Gary Telles
4 cassettes
Biography of one of the Marx brothers—Groucho, Harpo, Zeppo, Chico, and Gummo—vaunted comedians of the vaudeville age and later Hollywood. Traces the life of Julius (Groucho) in a family of performers led by his stage mother, Minnie. Discusses his unhappy marriages, his estrangement from his children, and his professional dissatisfaction. 2000.

Conversations with Susan Sontag RC 52752
edited by Leland Poague
read by Celeste Lawson
3 cassettes
Twenty-four interviews conducted with American novelist and critic Sontag between 1969 and 1993, in which she is frequently asked to comment on her published writings. Sontag is questioned about aesthetic, political, and sexual issues by Edwin Newman, Joe David Bellamy, Jonathan Cott, Jean-Louis Servan-Schreiber, Amy Lippman, and Nadine Gordimer, among others. 1995.

Savage Beauty: The Life of Edna St. Vincent Millay RC 52940
by Nancy Milford
read by Kimberly Schraf
5 cassettes
Biography of the twentieth-century American poet—the first woman to win the Pulitzer Prize—whose life mirrored her verses: "My candle burns at both ends; / It will not last the night; / But ah, my foes, and oh, my friends— / It gives a lovely light!" Some descriptions

of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Coloring Outside the Lines: Raising a Smarter Kid by Breaking All the Rules RC 53116

by Roger Schank
read by Bruce Nelson
2 cassettes
Founder of Northwestern's Institute for the Learning Sciences posits that schools of the late twentieth and early twenty-first centuries do not support children with a thirst for knowledge. Parents wanting to help their children become successful should nurture their traits of inquisitiveness, gumption, creativity, verbal proficiency, analytical ability, and ambition. 2000.

Five-Finger Discount: A Crooked Family History RC 53117

by Helene Stapinski
read by Barbara Rappaport
2 cassettes
Memoir about growing up in the 1970s in a family of petty criminals in Jersey City. The author explores her Italian-Polish roots in the context of an industrial city overrun by fraud and political corruption. She escapes for college but returns as a reporter for the *Jersey Journal*. Some strong language. 2001.

Roots: The Saga of an American Family RC 53160

by Alex Haley
read by Peter Jay Fernandez
6 cassettes (Reissue)
Seven generations of the author's family, from 1767, when Kunta Kinte is captured in The Gambia, West Africa, and transported to Virginia as a slave. Chronicles Haley's ancestors' resettlement in Tennessee following the Civil War, reconstructs his birth in 1921, and describes his genealogical research. Some violence. Bestseller 1976.

Your Baby and Child: From Birth to Age Five RC 53167

by Penelope Leach
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
5 cassettes
British psychologist explains the physical and emotional needs of babies and toddlers until they reach school age. Describes the child's thinking and feeling capabilities at different stages of development. Discusses dilemmas of parenting, including choosing daycare and preventing sudden infant death syndrome. 1997.

God Save the Sweet Potato Queens RC 53170

by Jill Conner Browne
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
2 cassettes
Continues the advice offered in *The Sweet Potato Queens' Book of Love (RC 53169)*. Browne, leader of the group of Southern women who sport green sequins and towering red hairdos, offers guidance on marriage, pregnancy, vacations, and dating for the advanced or advancing. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 2001.

River Town: Two Years on the Yangtze RC 53238

by Peter Hessler
read by Tom Burch
3 cassettes
Memoir of an American Peace Corps volunteer who taught English literature in a teachers' college in rural southern China from 1996 to 1998. Intersperses reminiscences of daily events with descriptions of local landscape, history, and people. Discusses the difficulties of

a Westerner trying to understand Chinese culture. 2001.

Mark Wilson's Complete Course in Magic RC 53274
by Mark Wilson
read by Lou Harpenau
5 cassettes
Well-known magician describes more than three hundred tricks and illusions. He reveals the secrets of preparing for and performing a variety of stunts using props such as rope, cards, handkerchiefs, and balls. 1973.

American Patriots: The Story of Blacks in the Military, from the Revolution to Desert Storm RC 53330
by Gail Buckley
read by Bob Moore
5 cassettes
Chronicles two centuries of African American military experience. Drawing on interviews and primary sources, Buckley contends that the pressures of necessity opened military service to blacks. She describes the bravery and sacrifice of black soldiers despite discrimination against them and frequent minimization or denial of their achievements. 2001.

Southeast Asia: A Concise History RC 53455
by Mary Somers Heidhues
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
Covers the history, from prehistoric times to the late twentieth century, of the mainland states of Burma (Myanmar), Thailand, Cambodia, Laos, and Vietnam, as well as of the maritime nations: Malaysia, Singapore, Brunei, Indonesia, and the Philippines. Explores the region's politics, economics, culture, religion, and armed conflicts. 2000.

How to Win Friends and Influence People RC 53469
by Dale Carnegie
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Originally published in 1937 and revised in 1981 to "clarify and strengthen the book for a modern reader," this guide provides fundamental techniques in handling people. Includes how to make people like you, how to win them to your way of thinking, and how to be a leader without offending or arousing resentment. 1981.

The Best Loved Poems of the American People RC 53495
selected by Hazel Felleman
read by Janis Gray
4 cassettes (Reissue)
Anthology of 575 poems popular in early twentieth-century America. Arranged by themes such as love and friendship, inspiration, story, faith and reverence, home and family, patriotism, humor, and nature. Selected from requests for favorite poems sent to a column in the *New York Times Book Review*. 1936.

Jewish American Literature: A Norton Anthology RC 53581
edited by Jules Chametzky and others
read by Robert Blumenfeld
13 cassettes in 3 containers
Selections from American writing, ranging from 1656 through the end of the twentieth century, featuring fiction, poetry, drama, memoir, letters, song lyrics, and humor by "authors who admit, address, embrace, and contest their Jewish identity." Includes entries by Edna Ferber, Groucho Marx, Stanley Kunitz, Leo Rosten, Irwin Shaw, and Allegra Goodman. 2001.

Fierce Pajamas: An Anthology of Humor Writing from the *New Yorker* RC 53620
edited by David Remnick and Henry Finder
read by Kimberly Schraf
4 cassettes
Two *New Yorker* editors select their favorite comic pieces from the magazine's first seventy-five years. Includes parodies, sketches, and verses by more than seventy contributors, including such literary humorists as Robert Benchley, James Thurber, Dorothy Parker, Woody Allen, Steve Martin, Garrison Keillor, and Ogden Nash. Bestseller 2001.

The Age of Terror: America and the World after September 11 RC 53622
edited by Strobe Talbott and Nayan Chanda
read by John Hammock
2 cassettes
Collection of eight essays, edited by co-heads of the Yale Center for the Study of Globalization, examines the causes and effects of the terrorist attack on the World Trade Center, September 11, 2001. Discusses Muslim motivations, non-Muslim antecedents, the communication revolution, bioterrorism, post–Cold War politics, and the failure of U.S. intelligence. 2001.

Holy War, Inc.: Inside the Secret World of Osama bin Laden RC 53623
by Peter L. Bergen
read by Mark Ashby
2 cassettes
A journalist for CNN who interviewed Osama bin Laden in Afghanistan in 1997 investigates al-Qaeda, the Islamic terrorist organization. Describes its objectives, its past crimes including the 1993 World Trade Center bombing, and its worldwide reach. Traces bin Laden's past and his relationship to the Taliban. Bestseller 2001.

Brunelleschi's Dome: How a Renaissance Genius Reinvented Architecture RC 53639
by Ross King
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
Discusses the intermittent construction during the 1300s of a cathedral in Florence that would require the largest dome in the world. Explains how this led to the 1418 competition for solving the architectural puzzle; how it was won by Filippo Brunelleschi, a clockmaker; and how he achieved engineering marvels. 2000.

Bias: A CBS Insider Exposes How the Media Distort the News RC 53649
by Bernard Goldberg
read by Bob Moore
2 cassettes
Emmy Award-winning broadcast journalist describes how his exposé of his fellow reporters' liberal bias led to his own ostracism and rejection. Offers examples of how media interpretations of current events affect the social climate of the country. Some strong language. Bestseller 2002.

The Birds of Heaven: Travels with Cranes RC 53665
by Peter Matthiessen
read by Bruce Huntey
3 cassettes
Wilderness traveler reports on the status of the world's crane population and his adventures with fellow naturalists in the birds' habitats. Celebrates the declining species and local landscape as he journeys to sites in Asia, Africa, western Europe, and the United States. 2001.

The Universe in a Nutshell RC 53668
by Stephen Hawking
read by Lou Harpenau
1 cassette
Theoretical physicist explains for laymen the underlying principles that control the universe. With updated knowledge acquired since his earlier book *A Brief History of Time (RC 26996)*, Hawking discusses theories of the origin, structure, and evolution of the cosmos. Bestseller 2001.

Alistair Cooke: The Biography RC 53684
by Nick Clarke
read by Vanessa Maroney
6 cassettes
Authorized life of the man best known as a commentator on American culture and politics and the host of PBS's *Masterpiece Theater*. Born Alfred Cooke in 1908 in northern England, he legally changed his name to Alistair on his twenty-second birthday and became a U.S. citizen in 1941. 1999.

Creating Emotionally Safe Schools: A Guide for Educators and Parents RC 53731
by Jane Bluestein
read by Kristin Allison
4 cassettes
While explaining how academic institutions can be safer, an educational counselor examines factors that contribute to a school's emotional climate. Bluestein offers a plan to return schools to havens of nurturing and learning, including strategies for instruction, family involvement, and early development. 2001.

A Convenient Spy: Wen Ho Lee and the Politics of Nuclear Espionage RC 53741
by Dan Stober and Ian Hoffman
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Analyzes the U.S. case against computer scientist Wen Ho Lee, a naturalized Taiwanese, who was accused of espionage while working at the Los Alamos National Laboratory. Presents the evidence of Lee's misdeeds, the FBI mistakes leading to his acquittal, and the politics that drove the investigation. 2001.

In Search of the Lost Cord: Solving the Mystery of Spinal Cord Regeneration RC 53744
by Luba Vikhanski
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Science reporter summarizes the historical and current research being conducted throughout the world on spinal cord regeneration. Describes twentieth-century advances in medicine and technology, and possible scientific breakthroughs. 2001.

Uncle Tungsten: Memories of a Chemical Boyhood RC 53751
by Oliver Sacks
read by Ralph Lowenstein
3 cassettes
Neurologist and author of such bestselling books as *Awakenings (RC 33438)* recalls his childhood during World War II in London and at boarding school. Explains how his fascination with science was fostered by his large family, especially his uncle, who manufactured lightbulbs with tungsten wire filaments. 2001.

Shadow Warriors: Inside the Special Forces RC 53774
by Tom Clancy
read by Lou Harpenau
4 cassettes
Traces growth of Special Forces in the United States military from their conceptual origins through actual transformation into elite units. Clancy teams with retired general Carl Stiner, former chief of USSOCOM (U.S. Special Operations Command), in discussions of specific military missions, exclusive of the 2001–2002 Afghanistan campaign. Bestseller 2002.

Stupid White Men: And Other Sorry Excuses for the State of the Nation! RC 53775
by Michael Moore
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes
Author of *Downsize This! (RC 45054)* criticizes the U.S. government of the twenty-first century. Laments that "nothing seems to work" and rants against the 2000 election and the administration's policies. Some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Buck Up, Suck Up . . . and Come Back When You Foul Up: Twelve Winning Secrets from the War Room RC 53777
by James Carville and Paul Begala
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Two political strategists translate campaign tactics into rules for success in everyday life. Their purpose is to make the reader a winner by becoming "faster, smarter, and more aggressive." They provide "practical, applicable strategies" to beat the competition. Bestseller 2002.

Cannibals and Kings: The Origins of Cultures RC 53817
by Marvin Harris
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
An anthropologist examines a broad variety of cultural behaviors—from primitive civilizations to advanced societies—as adaptations to particular ecological conditions. Harris maintains that social life so far has evolved in predictable arrangements. 1977.

Did Adam and Eve Have Navels? Discourses on Reflexology, Numerology, Urine Therapy, and Other Dubious Subjects RC 53818
by Martin Gardner
read by Richard Hauenstein
2 cassettes
Science writer and rationalist Gardner examines cases of pseudoscience, whether maverick or mainstream. Debunks astrology, UFOs, and quack remedies, and attacks religious fundamentalism and Freud's dream theories. Previously published as regular columns in the *Skeptical Inquirer*. 2000.

Bad Bet on the Bayou: The Rise of Gambling in Louisiana and the Fall of Governor Edwin Edwards RC 53821
by Tyler Bridges
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
Account of the corruption in the state of Louisiana, where legalized gambling led to the conviction of four-time governor Edwin Edwards in 2000. Recalls the tumultuous political, social, and economic history of the state. 2001.

A Matter of Dignity: Changing the Lives of the Disabled RC 53824
by Andrew Potok
read by Tom Burch
2 cassettes
The author of *Ordinary Daylight (RC 16674)* portrays activists, technicians, health professionals, and others working to improve the everyday lives of people with disabilities through technological progress or advances in public policy and awareness. Potok discusses independence, quality of life, and dignity, relating these issues to his own experience with retinitis pigmentosa. 2002.

The Complete Jesus RC 53825
compiled by Ricky Alan Mayotte
read by Richard Hauenstein
2 cassettes
This compilation of sayings and teachings attributed to Jesus has been gathered from various versions of the New Testament (King James, Revised Standard, etc.), Christian Gnostic writings, and New Testament Apocrypha. They are presented in nine sections, including commandments, parables, teachings and proverbs, hymns and prayers, and doctrines. 1997.

American Vintage: The Rise of American Wine RC 53826
by Paul Lukacs
read by John Richardson
3 cassettes
Traces the history of the wine industry in the United States and the people instrumental in its development. Discusses why it takes so long to produce truly great wine and why America rose so quickly to prominence as a major winemaking country. 2000.

Inside the Vatican: The Politics and Organization of the Catholic Church RC 53828
by Thomas J. Reese
read by Lou Harpenau
3 cassettes
A Jesuit scholar/political scientist examines the inner workings of the papal institution in Rome. Draws on more than one hundred interviews with Vatican officials to form insights into the governance of the Catholic church. Analyzes the pope's role in both religious and secular events. 1996.

French Huguenots in English-Speaking Lands RC 53831
by Horton Davies and
Marie-Hélène Davies
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Chronicle of France from 1685 to 1782, when the Protestant Huguenots, persecuted for their beliefs, were forced to emigrate. Describes causes of the unrest, the character of the believers, and Huguenot cultural contributions in Great Britain and North America. 2000.

Heart Attack! Advice for Patients by Patients RC 53832
by Kathleen Berra and others
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
Heart specialists explain the diagnosis and treatment of heart attacks and eleven survivors give anecdotal advice. Includes information on risk factors, diet, reversal of coronary artery disease, and rehabilitation programs. 2002.

Nearest Star: The Surprising Science of Our Sun RC 53835
by Leon Golub and Jay M. Pasachoff
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
Solar scientists profile the Sun's history and physics for nonscientists. The authors discuss the origin of the Sun's light and heat, how the Sun evolved, and how it affects Earth. They present cutting-edge research on the Sun's outer atmosphere and explain sunspots and gigantic explosive events. 2001.

The Only Astrology Book You'll Ever Need RC 53840
by Joanna Martine Woolfolk
read by Carol Dines
4 cassettes
Astrology columnist updates her 1982 work on the movement of celestial bodies and their possible influence on humanity. Describes the various Sun and Moon signs, the placement of the planets, the twelve zodiac houses, and the mechanics of setting up a birth chart. 2001.

Unjust Enrichment: How Japan's Companies Built Postwar Fortunes Using American POWs RC 53847
by Linda Goetz Holmes
read by Lou Harpenau
2 cassettes
Using archival materials classified until long after World War II ended and interviews with survivors, a historian recounts the mistreatment of American prisoners of war by Japanese companies that used the men as slave labor. Contends that the businesses should have been prosecuted soon after the war and that survivors should be reimbursed. 2001.

Sorcerer's Apprentice RC 53851
by Tahir Shah
read by Fred Major
3 cassettes
Author explains why he left the comforts of London to travel to India to become a magician. Describes his trip to Calcutta and his apprenticeship with Hakim Feroze, a master conjuror. Describes his subsequent journeys across India to witness firsthand the art of illusion. 1998.

Stroke-Free for Life: The Complete Guide to Stroke Prevention and Treatment RC 53853
by David Wiebers
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
Renowned Mayo Clinic neurologist describes strokes, prevention, and emergency treatments with drugs and surgery. Advocates lifestyle changes, including the reduction of stress. Also provides a stroke risk assessment test. 2001.

Samuel Huntington, President of Congress Longer than Expected: A Narrative Essay on the Letters of Samuel Huntington, 1779–1781 RC 53857
by George Kelsey Dreher
read by David Myers
2 cassettes
Interpretive account of the life and work of Samuel Huntington, a lawyer from Connecticut and signer of the Declaration of Independence, who became the first president of the Continental Congress between 1779 and 1781. Dreher shows how Huntington's personality and religious background equipped him to lead the new nation. 1996.

One Hundred Questions and Answers about Hypertension RC 53858
by William M. Manger and Ray W. Gifford
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Physicians address the common condition of hypertension (high blood pressure, or "the silent killer"), including its cause, risk factors, and treatment; medical options; lifestyle changes; complications; and coexisting conditions. Explains how this common and treatable condition can be managed. 2001.

Hoyle's Rules of Games: Descriptions of Indoor Games of Skill and Chance, with Advice on Skillful Play; Based on the Foundations Laid Down by Edmond Hoyle, 1672–1769 RC 53859
edited by Philip D. Morehead and others
read by Lou Harpenau
3 cassettes
Revised and updated guide to rules, strategies, and odds for more than two hundred fifty games. Card games include bridge, cribbage, pinochle, poker, and solitaire—and their variations. Also contains instructions for backgammon, dominoes, Scrabble, children's games, and some computer games. 2001.

GED Basics 2002: Updated for the All-New GED! RC 53866
by Nancy Lawrence
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Introductory guide to the revised General Educational Development (GED) exam, required for a high school equivalency diploma. Offers practice exercises for adult basic knowledge in language arts (writing and reading), social studies, science, and mathematics. Provides study tips, strategies, and techniques for scoring high. 2002.

Knitting in Plain English RC 53868
by Maggie Righetti
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
A practical guide for beginning and intermediate knitters. Using a good-humored, commonsense approach, provides patterns and easy-to-follow lessons to complete projects. Offers simple tips to facilitate the process and solutions to frequently asked questions. 1986.

Power to the Patient: The Treatments to Insist on When You're Sick RC 53891
by Isadore Rosenfeld
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Physician and author of *Live Now, Age Later (RC 48603)* outlines the medical tests, causes, and treatments for thirty-nine common ailments. Topics include diabetes, Parkinson's, gallstones, cancer, fibromyalgia, Alzheimer's, heart disease, and sexual diseases. 2002.

Bare Fists: The History of Bare-Knuckle Prize-Fighting RC 53905
by Bob Mee
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Sports journalist presents three centuries of gloveless-boxing greats from both sides of the Atlantic. Begins with the 1720s career of James Figg and ends with the 1990s fad of "Ultimate Fighting," an unregulated sport. Includes the 1860 "fight of the century" between America's John Heenan and Britain's Tom Sayers. 2001.

Little Miss Dynamite: The Life and Times of Brenda Lee RC 53911
by Brenda Lee
read by Robin Miles
3 cassettes
Autobiography of rockabilly singer who was born in poverty in Georgia in 1944. Lee began performing professionally when she was seven and was soon supporting her family. She reminisces about the entertainers she has known, from her early days in rock 'n' roll through country music superstardom. Some strong language. 2002.

Ultimate Journey: Retracing the Path of an Ancient Buddhist Monk Who Crossed Asia in Search of Enlightenment RC 53912
by Richard Bernstein
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
At age fifty-five, a *New York Times* writer fulfills a yearning for travel and change by following the route of seventh-century Buddhist monk Hsuan Tsang's pilgrimage for wisdom across China, south through India, and back to China. Along the way he compares his observations with those recorded by Hsuan Tsang. 2001.

The Southern Gates of Arabia: A Journey in the Hadhramaut RC 53919
by Freya Stark
read by Yolande Bavan
2 cassettes
Chronicles the 1934 adventures of an erudite and intrepid British explorer in Yemen. Stark's goal was to be the first European to reach Shabwa, the ancient frankincense capital, traveling along centuries-old caravan routes. She describes her stays with sultans and her enchantment with the region. 1936.

Almost a Woman RC 53924
by Esmeralda Santiago
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
This coming-of-age memoir continues the account begun in *When I Was Puerto Rican (RC 38181)*. Recalls author's difficulties of moving to New York without speaking English, being accepted at the High School for Performing Arts, and having her first love affair—all before reaching age twenty-one. Some descriptions of sex. 1998.

Every Tongue Got to Confess: Negro Folktales from the Gulf States RC 53958
by Zora Neale Hurston
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
African American folklore that Hurston collected from oral tradition in the late 1920s, published for the first time. Hurston arranged the material by themes such as god tales, devil tales, witch and hant, tall tales, neatest trick, mistaken identity, and talking-animal tales. Some strong language. 2001.

Before the Storm: Barry Goldwater and the Unmaking of the American Consensus RC 53983
by Rick Perlstein
read by Jake Williams
5 cassettes
Describes the consolidation and resurgence of the conservative political movement after the devastating defeat of Republican presidential candidate Barry Goldwater in 1964. Traces the development of divisions and shifts that broke up the liberal majority and led to Ronald Reagan's election in 1980. Some strong language. 2001.

Ancient Encounters: Kennewick Man and the First Americans RC 53986
by James C. Chatters
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Discussion of the anthropological and legal debate surrounding the 1996 discovery of 9,500-year-old skeletal remains in Kennewick, Washington. The bones have provoked controversy between the scientists who hope to investigate their origins and local Native Americans who claim ancestral reburial rights. 2001.

The Warden of English: The Life of H.W. Fowler RC 53987
by Jenny McMorris
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Biography of the British grammarian and lexicographer Henry Watson Fowler (1858–1933), author of works on English language usage. Chronicling the eccentric's personal as well as professional life, reveals his dedication to detail in both spheres. Discusses how his love of language became the cornerstone of his career. 2001.

The Seventies: The Great Shift in American Culture, Society, and Politics RC 54009
by Bruce J. Schulman
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
Historian portrays life in the United States in the 1970s, and shows how the decade transformed American popular beliefs and cultural attitudes. Analyzes presidential politics, national policies, and the shift of economic power. Describes the many social changes, including racial integration, the graying of America, and the women's movement. 2001.

Crescent and Star: Turkey between Two Worlds RC 54015
by Stephen Kinzer
read by Robert Blumenfeld
2 cassettes
A *New York Times* correspondent intersperses essays on cultural, social, and political events in Turkey with recollections of his personal experiences there between 1996 and 2000. Analyzes a country caught between its Muslim heritage and its desire to westernize and join the European Union. 2001.

The Sisters: The Saga of the Mitford Family RC 54027
by Mary S. Lovell
read by Lisette Lecat
4 cassettes
The lives and times of six aristocratic British sisters, exploring family relationships, artistic successes, scandals, and tragedies. Traces their involvements in clashing political ideologies between the World Wars. One of them, Diana, married British fascist Oswald Mosley and became "the most hated woman in England," spending most of World War II in prison. Bestseller 2001.

The Natural: The Misunderstood Presidency of Bill Clinton RC 54028
by Joe Klein
read by Barry Bernson
1 cassette
Political analyst and author of best-selling *Primary Colors (RC 41822)* reassesses Clinton's presidency. Argues that despite personal failings, Clinton ran a "serious, disciplined, responsible presidency," with lasting effects on the economy and on the American people. Klein examines the historical record and attempts to put it into perspective. Bestseller 2002.

Get with the Program! Getting Real about Your Health, Weight, and Emotional Well-Being RC 54029
by Bob Greene
read by Butch Hoover
1 cassette
Bestselling author of *Make the Connection (RC 43178)* presents a four-phase program requiring physical and emotional commitment to change behavior and attitude. Offers advice on dieting, exercising, and achieving the mindset to gain long-lasting effects. Bestseller 2002.

Shakedown: Exposing the Real Jesse Jackson RC 54030
by Kenneth R. Timmerman
read by Rick Rohan
3 cassettes
Muckraking journalist investigates the career of controversial civil rights leader Jesse Jackson, contending that Jackson has consistently "manipulated the truth to build a false portrait of himself." Timmerman accuses Jackson of abusing power, misusing tax-exempt funds, threatening boycotts to extort donations from corporations, supporting African dictators, and espousing a subversive domestic agenda. Bestseller 2002.

Report from Ground Zero RC 54031
by Dennis Smith
read by Bob Moore
3 cassettes
Retired New York City firefighter and author of *Report from Engine Co. 82 (RC 48762)* reports on the heroic rescue efforts that took place at the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001, and the following months. Includes eyewitness accounts from firemen, policemen, and emergency personnel. Bestseller 2002.

The Mothman Prophecies RC 54034
by John A. Keel
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Record of a sympathetically disposed journalist's investigation of reported paranormal phenomena, including sightings of a flying red-eyed humanlike creature called the "Mothman," that occurred in Point Pleasant, West Virginia, in 1966 and 1967. In a brief 2001 afterword, Keel gives an approving nod to the popular movie based on his work. Bestseller 1975.

Knight: My Story RC 54038
by Bob Knight
read by Jack Fox
3 cassettes
Autobiography by Indiana University's controversial basketball coach, fired in September 2000 after twenty-nine seasons. Describes his days as a player before moving to teaching positions and explains the circumstances that led to his dismissal. Some strong language. Bestseller 2002.

Sacred Contracts: Awakening Your Divine Potential RC 54039
by Caroline Myss
read by Jill Fox
3 cassettes
Intuitive healer and author of *Anatomy of the Spirit (RC 45739)* postulates that everyone is born with a higher purpose or mission and should channel energy constructively by living in accord with that sacred contract. Presents exercises, charts, and a chakras map to help readers identify archetypes for spiritual self-examination. Bestseller 2001.

A Song Flung Up to Heaven RC 54044
by Maya Angelou
read by Gail Nelson
1 cassette
In this sixth volume of her memoirs, Angelou documents her life in the 1960s when she returned to America from Ghana to participate in the civil rights movement. Discusses the impact of the assassinations of Malcolm X and Martin Luther King Jr. on her, personally and professionally. Bestseller 2002.

A Cook's Tour: In Search of the Perfect Meal RC 54047
by Anthony Bourdain
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
Chef's journey pairs food and travel for adventures—if not perfection—in eating. Bourdain eats duck in the Mekong Delta with Vietnamese war heroes, attends a pig slaughter in Portugal, and retraces childhood summers in France. His quest is associated with a Food Network TV series. Strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Love, Greg and Lauren RC 54052
by Greg Manning
read by Tom Burch
3 cassettes
A World Trade Center burn victim's recovery, told in her husband's day-by-day account that "began as e-mails advising our friends on Lauren's condition; it grew into a diary of our lives." Lauren Manning, mother of a ten-month-old, was burned over 82 percent of her body but left the hospital ninety days later. Bestseller 2002.

The Contrarian's Guide to Leadership RC 54057
by Steven B. Sample
read by Richard Hauenstein
2 cassettes
The president of the University of Southern California delivers his thoughts on leaders and leadership from an unconventional perspective. Considers the art of leadership as a process of artistic evolution. Includes case studies, anecdotes, and frequent quotes from historical and contemporary leaders. Bestseller 2002.

The Bridge at No Gun Ri: A Hidden Nightmare from the Korean War RC 54074
by Charles J. Hanley and others
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
Detailed account of a massacre of hundreds of South Korean civilians by United States soldiers in the early days of the Korean War. The reporters, who interviewed survivors on both sides and conducted extensive research, won a Pulitzer Prize for their work. Violence. 2001.

Death in the Afternoon RC 54078
by Ernest Hemingway
read by Mark Ashby
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Classic treatise on all phases of bullfighting from the raising and training of the animals to sketches of bullfighters. Descriptions of bravery, cowardice, pageantry, and history are enlivened by Hemingway's comments on life and literature. Some strong language. 1932.

Becoming Mona Lisa: The Making of a Global Icon RC 54099
by Donald Sassoon
read by Robert Blumenfeld
3 cassettes
Assesses the appeal of the Renaissance masterpiece painted by Leonardo da Vinci and viewed by millions annually at the Louvre in Paris. Discusses the origins of this portrait of an enigmatically smiling woman and explains how it became the best-known painting in the world. 2001.

Rites of Spring: The Great War and the Birth of the Modern Age RC 54100
by Modris Eksteins
read by Ralph Lowenstein
3 cassettes
History professor traces the origins, the impact, and the influence of World War I. Discusses how the death and destruction of the Great War marked a turning point in the cultural history of Western society, changed its psychological viewpoint, and led to the spirit of the modern age. 1989.

Zoya's Story: An Afghan Woman's Struggle for Freedom RC 54106
by Zoya
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
An Afghan woman recounts growing up during the Russian oppression, the chaotic period of transition when the Russians left, and women's suppression under Taliban rule. Describes her association with the Revolutionary Association of the Women of Afghanistan (RAWA). Some violence. 2002.

The Prophet RC 54107
by Kahlil Gibran
read by Fred Major
1 cassette (Reissue)
Prose-poem reflections by the Lebanese mystic poet, Kahlil Gibran (1883–1931). Meditations on such subjects as love, marriage, joy and sorrow, crime and punishment, pain, and self-knowledge. 1923.

The American Yoga Association's Easy Does It Yoga: The Safe and Gentle Way to Health and Well-Being RC 54110
by Alice Christensen
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
A beginning breathing, exercise, and meditation program for older adults and those with medical conditions or a sedentary lifestyle. Discusses nutrition, meditation, philosophy, and stress-reducing techniques. Lists routines that can be used in a wheelchair or bed. 1999.

Bowling for Beginners: Simple Steps to Strikes and Spares RC 54112
by Don Nace
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
Explains equipment, scoring, techniques, and etiquette of the game of bowling. Also gives tips on how to improve one's score and how to prepare oneself mentally in order to win. For junior and senior high and older readers. 2001.

The Aging Eye RC 54126
by Sandra Gordon
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Discusses the natural aging of the eye, how to protect one's vision, and the three most common disorders in later life: cataracts, glaucoma, and age-relat-

ed macular degeneration. Describes the symptoms, diagnoses, and treatments available for these conditions. 2001.

The Essential Microwave Handbook: The Complete Guide to Microwave Cooking RC 54127
by Carol Bowen
read by Patricia McDermott
2 cassettes
A collection of more than eighty microwavable recipes, including appetizers, main dishes, and desserts. Discusses the advantages of microwave cooking, factors affecting cooking, and required cookware and utensils. Presents cooking and defrosting charts. Suggests foods best for microwave preparation and those to avoid. 2001.

It's Only a Game RC 54130
by Terry Bradshaw
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Autobiography of celebrated Pittsburgh Steelers quarterback and television broadcaster. Bradshaw discusses his rise to fame in football, his struggles with attention deficit disorder, his three divorces, and his strong belief in God. 2001.

The Sensitive Gut RC 54136
by Michael Lasalandra and Lawrence S. Friedman
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Offers advice on coping with numerous gastrointestinal disorders, including reflux problems, dyspepsia, irritable bowel and related syndromes, constipation, diarrhea, gas, and food allergies. Includes information on aging and psychological factors as well as appropriate drug and alternative treatments. 2001.

The Blessing of a Skinned Knee: Using Jewish Teachings to Raise Self-Reliant Children RC 54168
by Wendy Mogel
read by Barbara Pinolini
2 cassettes
Child psychologist advises parents on how to instill values in children by using traditional Jewish teachings that are appropriate to all faiths. Offers examples to improve parenting skills and expectations and to raise happier offspring. Bestseller 2001.

Love Stories: Stories of True Romance RC 54217
edited by Jennifer Soong
read by Erin Jones
1 cassette
Short reminiscences from teenage couples who describe how they met and fell in love. Includes tales of instant attraction, deepening friendship, and tragedy, and tidbits from Hollywood celebrities. For senior high readers. 2001.

Hoop Roots RC 54230
by John Edgar Wideman
read by Bob Moore
2 cassettes
Combining memoir, fictional homage, and social commentary, an African American novelist reflects on his lifelong relationship with basketball. Associates the game with culture, race, and family love. Some strong language. 2001.

Sounds of the River: A Memoir RC 54246
by Da Chen
read by Robert Sams
3 cassettes
Continuation of the autobiographical tale begun in *Colors of the Mountain*

(RC 51314). At university in Beijing, the author studies English and comments on the growing Western influence on China as well as on his personal thoughts and habits. Some strong language. 2002.

Wake of the Coasters RC 54254
by John F. Leavitt
read by Mark Ashby
2 cassettes
An informal history of late-nineteenth- and early-twentieth-century life aboard New England coasting schooners used for trade. This "haphazard series of recollections of men, vessels, and ports—of a way of life now vanished and almost forgotten"—focuses mostly on Maine. 1970.

Silas Talbot: Captain of Old Ironsides RC 54256
by William M. Fowler
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
History professor illustrates the life and times of Silas Talbot (1751–1813), who was not only a Revolutionary War hero and U.S. Navy captain in command of the frigate *Constitution*, but also a privateer, prosperous landowner, and a New York state representative. 1995.

Bin Laden: The Man Who Declared War on America RC 54260
by Yossef Bodansky
read by Mark Ashby
4 cassettes
Biography of terrorist leader Osama bin Laden and the radical militant Islamic movement he helped create. Provides background on fundamentalism in the Arab world before the 2001 strikes against the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. Discusses attacks on American targets in the 1990s and bin Laden's pursuit of unconventional weapons. Bestseller 1999.

Afghanistan: A Short History of Its People and Politics RC 54261
by Martin Ewans
read by Ken Kliban
2 cassettes
Former British diplomat provides an overview of the ancient and modern history of the troubled Central Asian country. Discusses Afghanistan's conflicting tribal traditions, the absence of a central government, and its centuries of warfare and foreign occupation. 2002.

Fatal Choice: Nuclear Weapons and the Illusion of Missile Defense RC 54263
by Richard Butler
read by Bill Wallace
1 cassette
Australian diplomat and advocate of arms control addresses the global challenge of nuclear weapons. He proposes a series of measures to restrict their proliferation and reduce the threat of their use. Butler is the author of *The Greatest Threat (RC 52515)*. 2001.

Rudy Giuliani: Emperor of the City RC 54285
by Andrew Kirtzman
read by Peter Johnson
3 cassettes
The administration of former New York City mayor Rudy Giuliani in a reporter's account that includes the destruction at the World Trade Center. Describes the ex-prosecutor's policies, personality, bitter rivalries, and family problems. Illustrates how the city recovered from decades of crime and corruption. Some strong language. 2000.

Nigger: The Strange Career of a Troublesome Word RC 54316
by Randall Kennedy
read by Jake Williams
1 cassette
Harvard Law School professor provides a history of the motives and effects of the use of the word "nigger." Kennedy analyzes social and legal implications of the word's employment in modern professional, academic, and artistic environments, as well as between and within races. Strong language. Bestseller 2002.

Last Man Down: A Firefighter's Story of Survival and Escape from the World Trade Center RC 54321
by Richard Picciotto
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Fire chief Richard "Pitch" Picciotto of the Eleventh Battalion describes being trapped in the north tower of the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001, when it collapsed. Relates how he and other firefighters dug their way out when they realized rescue was nearly impossible. Strong language. 2002.

You Cannot Be Serious RC 54346
by John McEnroe
read by Robert Sams
3 cassettes
Autobiography of notorious tennis champion who dominated the game in the 1980s. Dubbed "Super-Brat" by journalists, McEnroe reminisces about his athletic success as a child in Queens, New York, his famous matches, and failed marriage to actress Tatum O'Neal. Describes his current marriage to singer Patty Smyth. Bestseller 2002.

Fear Less: Real Truth about Risk, Safety, and Security in a Time of Terrorism RC 54356
by Gavin de Becker
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
The author of *The Gift of Fear (RC 44931)* guides readers to "a true, informed feeling of safety that comes from understanding violence, risk, intuition, [and] fear" during a period of threatened national security. Describes terrorist plots foiled by the U.S. government. Discusses air travel and the prospect of biological warfare. 2002.

Not Out of Africa: How Afrocentrism Became an Excuse to Teach Myth as History RC 54362
by Mary Lefkowitz
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
Professor of classics disputes the afrocentric claims that black Egyptians brought civilization to Greece and are therefore the true founders of Western culture. She decries the politicizing of education. Epilog refutes author's critics. 1997.

Hurricane Watch: Forecasting the Deadliest Storms on Earth RC 54368
by Bob Sheets and Jack Williams
read by Erik Synnestvedt
3 cassettes
A meteorologist and a science journalist present the history of devastating storms in the United States, giving a scientific explanation of such weather. Includes information on the pioneers of hurricane study and the authors' firsthand experiences during Hurricane Andrew in 1992. 2001.

Artificial Paradises RC 54380
by Charles Baudelaire
read by Gary Telles
2 cassettes
A modern English translation of the works of Baudelaire, a nineteenth-century French symbolist poet, writing on the effects of hashish, opium, and wine—the mind-altering drugs of his era. Contains Baudelaire's response in 1860 to Thomas De Quincey's *Confessions of an English Opium-Eater (RC 24561)*. 1996.

My Greatest Day in Football: The Legends of Football Recount Their Greatest Moments RC 54384
edited by Bob McCullough
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
Twenty-nine players and coaches relive their best moments in football. Includes Don Shula and the "perfect season," Bart Starr and the "Ice Bowl," Y.A. Tittle and the day he was traded to the New York Giants, and Leroy Kelly making it into the Hall of Fame. Some strong language. 2001.

Timebomb: The Global Epidemic of Multi-Drug-Resistant Tuberculosis RC 54396
by Lee B. Reichman
read by Erik Synnestvedt
2 cassettes
According to Reichman, "More people are dying of tuberculosis today than ever before in history." He examines the worldwide incidence of tuberculosis at the close of the twentieth century, the origins of multi-drug-resistant TB strains, and society's shifting attitude toward the disease—from merely a health problem to an economic problem. 2001.

Witnesses at the Creation: Hamilton, Madison, Jay, and the Constitution RC 54399
by Richard B. Morris
read by John Hammock
2 cassettes
Describes how three American statesmen collaborated on a series of newspaper articles to convince the newly created thirteen states to adopt the Constitution. The eighty-five letters, compiled as *The Federalist* in 1787, led to the formation of the union and the election of George Washington as its first president. 1985.

Central and East Africa: 1880 to the Present, from Colonialism to Civil War RC 54411
by Daniel E. Harmon
read by Bob Moore
1 cassette
Describes the land, people, geography, and wildlife of east-central Africa. Includes the countries of Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania, Somalia, and Uganda. Focuses on their European colonization and subsequent independence. For junior and senior high readers. 2002.

Scheherazade Goes West: Different Cultures, Different Harems RC 54580
by Fatema Mernissi
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes
A Moroccan sociologist examines the western misconception of a harem as a group of voluptuous sex slaves at the male's command. She provides personal insights on Muslim perceptions of the traditional women's quarters and explores European attitudes in works of art and philosophy. 2001.

The Threatening Storm: The Case for Invading Iraq RC 54856
by Kenneth M. Pollack
read by Mark Ashby
4 cassettes
A Persian Gulf expert, formerly a CIA and National Security Council analyst, argues that the United States should invade Iraq, destroy Iraqi weapons of mass destruction, oust Saddam Hussein, and establish a new government. Examines two decades of U.S.-Iraqi relations, Iraq's arsenal, terrorism, and policy options. Bestseller 2002.

Cassettes Fiction

A Veiled Reflection: Westward Chronicles, Volume 3 RC 51117
by Tracie Peterson
read by Gillian Green
2 cassettes
Because she wants to get married, Judith Danvers convinces her twin sister, Jillian, to replace her as a Harvey Girl in Arizona. But when Jillian begins work, she faces one disaster after another, including a doctor's seeing through her charade. Sequel to *Hidden in a Whisper (RC 51116)*. 2000.

Rehearsal for Love RC 51744
by Faith Baldwin
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
New York City. Kathleen Roberts falls in love with her boss, Pat Bell. Disenchanted by his work ethics, she calls off their engagement. Playwright Paul McClure, a man she never considered, has been waiting in the wings. During a hurricane, the two men face off. 1940.

The Brideship RC 51859
by Joan Weir
read by Gillian Green
1 cassette
England, 1862. When fifteen-year-old Sarah, her cousin Maud, and friend Lizzie are chosen to leave the horrid orphanage and travel to western Canada, they are thrilled. Then the girls learn that they are to become mail-order brides. Can they escape their fate? For junior and senior high readers. 1998.

Pictures, 1918 RC 51871
by Jeanette Ingold
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
Asia is a high school junior in a small Texas town during World War I. As her feelings for her neighbor, Nick, grow, Asia also becomes enamored of a new hobby—photography. Meanwhile, she worries about her grandmother's growing forgetfulness and Nick's unsettling cousin. For junior and senior high readers. 1998.

Tribute to Another Dead Rock Star RC 52330
by Randy Powell
read by Phil Regensdorf
1 cassette
Fifteen-year-old Grady returns to Seattle for a rock concert honoring his late mother, a heavy-metal icon. Grady needs a new place to live but thinks his mentally disabled half-brother Louie's large Christian family won't accept him. Some strong language. For junior and senior high readers. 1999.

Carolina Autumn RC 52340
by Carol Lynch Williams
read by Mimi Bederman
1 cassette
As she begins high school, fourteen-

year-old Carolina is grieving over the death of her father and sister, while dealing with difficult relationships with her mother and her best friend. Each step forward helps Carolina learn to rely on her own strength and courage. For junior and senior high readers. 2000.

Cotton Comes to Harlem RC 52599
by Chester Himes
read by Chuck Young
2 cassettes
Con artist Deke O'Hara swindles $87,000 from residents of Harlem in a back-to-Africa scheme. When O'Hara is robbed by two white men, detectives Coffin Ed Johnson and Grave Digger Jones handle the case. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1965.

The Body of Christopher Creed RC 52758
by Carol Plum-Ucci
read by Bruce Nelson
2 cassettes
Torey Adams, a high school junior with a perfect life, struggles with doubts and questions surrounding the mysterious disappearance of the class outcast. As he searches for answers, he analyzes his own behavior and discovers secrets in the victim's family. Some strong language. For senior high readers. Michael L. Printz Honor. 2000.

Second to None: Richard Bolitho Novels, Volume 24 RC 52775
by Alexander Kent
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
1815. Sequel to *Sword of Honour (RC 52774)*. Lady Catherine, Sir Richard Bolitho's mistress, needs another protector after his death during a sea battle. His nephew Adam is given command of a new frigate, fighting back pirates and slavers off the coast of Africa. And Napoleon stages a comeback. 1999.

Sea of Silver Light: Otherland, Volume 4 RC 52927
by Tad Williams
read by Erik Sandvold
8 cassettes in 2 containers
The band of virtual explorers trapped in Otherland now realize that their survival lies at the heart of Otherland's virtual world. But bizarre events hamper their getting there. Speed is especially important because the real world may not exist much longer. Sequel to *Mountain of Black Glass (RC 52926)*. Violence and strong language. 2001.

A Step from Heaven RC 53115
by An Na
read by Celeste Lawson
1 cassette
Young Ju and her parents move to California from Korea when she is small. They struggle with a strange language and culture, but Young Ju becomes a top student. Over the years her father becomes more and more abusive. Some strong language. For senior high readers. 2001.

More Stories from My Father's Court RC 53129
by Isaac Bashevis Singer
read by Ray Hagen
2 cassettes
Twenty-seven more stories evoking the Jewish community in early-twentieth-century Warsaw. The stories are drawn from Singer's childhood recollections of the men and women who came to his father, the rabbi, for advice and opinion on Jewish law. Sequel to *In My Father's Court (RC 53128)*. 2000.

The Miocene Arrow RC 53131
by Sean McMullen
read by Suzanne Toren
4 cassettes
Sequel to *Souls in the Great Machine (RC 53130)*. In the fortieth century the former lands of Australia and America are at war. The Americans, led by Sair Feydamor, not only have to fight the Call but also thwart attack from orbiting satellites known as the Sentinels. 2000.

A Murder, a Mystery, and a Marriage RC 53185
by Mark Twain
read by Cyn Delafield
1 cassette
A previously unpublished story by Mark Twain, written in 1876. Set in small-town Missouri, the tale involves an arranged marriage, a mysterious stranger, and a convenient murder and has a twist at the end. The foreword and afterword by Roy Blount Jr. explain the book's literary significance. 2001.

The Last Report on the Miracles at Little No Horse RC 53273
by Louise Erdrich
read by Jill Fox
3 cassettes
From 1912 to 1996 Agnes De Witt has presented herself to the Ojibwe reservation in North Dakota as a benevolent priest, Father Damien, all the while concealing her female identity. She recalls her life story while debating what to reveal to a Vatican envoy investigating a nun's alleged miracles. Some descriptions of sex. 2001.

Captain from Castile RC 53334
by Samuel Shellabarger
read by Peter Gil
4 cassettes (Reissue)
Spain, 1518. Young aristocrat Pedro de Vargas leaves behind his family, the injustices of the Inquisition, and a beautiful gypsy girl to travel to New Spain to seek his fortune. There he joins Hernán Cortés's Conquistadors to overcome the infidels in Mexico. Some violence. 1945.

The Year's Best Fantasy and Horror: Fourteenth Annual Collection RC 53339
edited by Ellen Datlow and Terri Windling
read by Mary Kane
6 cassettes
Following an overview of the genre in the year 2000, this collection of forty-four stories and nine poems ranges from fairy tales to gothic horror, from magical realism to dark tales. Includes works by Louise Erdrich, Tanith Lee, Stewart O'Nan, and Neil Gaiman. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2001.

The Best American Mystery Stories of the Century RC 53349
edited by Tony Hillerman
read by Ted Stoddard
7 cassettes in 2 containers
Anthology of short crime stories of the twentieth century. Includes classic authors like O. Henry, Raymond Chandler, William Faulkner, and Ellery Queen and contemporary writers like Sue Grafton, Lawrence Block, and Dennis Lehane. Foreword by Otto Penzler. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2000.

The Year's Best Fantasy and Horror: Thirteenth Annual Collection
RC 53404
edited by Ellen Datlow and Terri Windling
read by L.J. Ganser
6 cassettes
Following an overview of work published in the genre in 1999, this collection of thirty-seven stories, ten poems, and one essay offers tales of magic, romance, horror, and fantasy. Includes works by Neil Gaiman, Gene Wolfe, Ursula K. Le Guin, and Steven Millhauser. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2000.

The Ring of Five Dragons: The Pearl Saga, Book 1 RC 53463
by Eric Van Lustbader
read by Gary Tipton
5 cassettes
The Kundalan people have been enslaved for a century by the V'ornns. People pray that the goddess Miina will save them. Fifteen-year-old twins Giyan and Bartta, novices to the goddess and her sorcery, and Dar Sala-at, a V'ornn, help find the Pearl to fulfill a prophecy. Some violence. 2001.

A River Out of Eden RC 53481
by John Hockenberry
read by Jill Fox
3 cassettes
Biologist Francine Smohalla, half-Chinook Native American, stocks the Columbia River with salmon. She meets Duke McCurdy, a member of the Aryan Nation, when they discover a murdered federal worker. More deaths occur with evidence pointing to a member of Francine's tribe. Strong language, some explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. 2001.

The Mammoth Book of Best New Horror, Volume 12 RC 53486
edited by Stephen Jones
read by Roy Avers
4 cassettes
Selection of twenty-two short stories and novellas from the year 2000, with an introductory overview of the year in horror fiction writing and publishing. Also includes "Necrology: 2000," which lists writers, artists, and performers contributing to the horror genre, who died in 2000. 2001.

***The Bat*, *The Haunted Lady*, *The Yellow Room*: Three Complete Novels by America's Mistress of Mystery**
RC 53494
by Mary Roberts Rinehart
read by Madelyn Buzzard
4 cassettes
Works by an early-twentieth-century mystery writer (1876–1958), whose sons later established the Farrar & Rinehart publishing company. In *The Bat* a serial killer preys on the wealthy for blood and money, finally trapping Dale Ogden and her aunt in a country house during a storm. 1995.

Karyn's Memory Box: Keepsake Legacies, Volume 2 RC 53516
by Stephanie Grace Whitson
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
1997. Reagan Bishop buys a crock at an antique auction and discovers a memory box belonging to Karyn Ensinger. Reagan locates Karyn's granddaughter Irene, who relates the story of how Karyn came to America in 1880 and, with faith and courage, built a new life

there. Sequel to *Sarah's Patchwork (RC 53515)*. 1999.

The Shunning: Heritage of Lancaster County, Volume 1 RC 53518
by Beverly Lewis
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
Katie Lapp has always felt she does not belong in the Amish community of Hickory Hollow, Pennsylvania. Then on the eve of her wedding to widower Bishop John, a startling announcement by her parents begins to unravel the only world Katie has ever known. Prequel to *The Confession (RC 53519)*. 1997.

The Confession: Heritage of Lancaster County, Volume 2 RC 53519
by Beverly Lewis
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
Sequel to *The Shunning (RC 53518)*. Katie, now Katherine Mayfield, searches for her birth mother. The journey takes her to the Finger Lakes region of New York and into a world of compassion and greed, mercy and betrayal. Meanwhile, Katie's first love, Daniel, wants to rekindle their relationship. 1997.

The Pillars of Creation: The Sword of Truth, Book 7 RC 53660
by Terry Goodkind
read by Nick Sullivan
4 cassettes
Jennsen Daggett, controlled by dark forces, seeks revenge against Lord Richard Rahl for killing her mother. Meanwhile, Rahl and his wife, Kahlan, must face their own demons in a strange and desolate land. Sequel to *Faith of the Fallen (RC 50941)*. Violence. 2001.

Anthony Adverse RC 53696
by Hervey Allen
read by Mark Ashby
9 cassettes in 2 containers (Reissue)
Vast, popular historical romance charting the fortunes of a young man born out of wedlock in 1775, raised in an Italian convent, and apprenticed to a merchant. Adverse becomes wealthy as a trader in Africa, Napoleonic Europe, and America. Through many adventures he carries a Madonna figure that belonged to his dead mother. 1933.

The Years with Laura Díaz RC 53699
by Carlos Fuentes
read by MaryBeth Wise
4 cassettes
Born in 1898, Laura grows up with the new century, her personal story intermingled with the turbulent history of Mexico. Among her friends she numbers Frida Kahlo and Diego Rivera, who paints her image into one of his murals. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2000.

The Knight of the Sacred Lake: Guenevere, Volume 2 RC 53707
by Rosalind Miles
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *Guenevere: Queen of the Summer Country (RC 53706)*, peace is restored to Guenevere's kingdom after years of strife. But the goddess cult on the sacred isle of Avalon is threatened. And Guenevere continues to betray Arthur by loving Lancelot. Some descriptions of sex. 2000.

The Child of the Holy Grail: Guenevere, Volume 3 RC 53708
by Rosalind Miles
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
This sequel to *The Knight of the Sacred Lake (RC 53707)* completes the Guenevere trilogy. Encompasses the quest for the Holy Grail and the fall of Camelot, while Guenevere endures and rises to fulfill her destiny. Some descriptions of sex. 2001.

Warlock: A Novel of Ancient Egypt RC 53723
by Wilbur Smith
read by David Hartley-Margolin
5 cassettes
In this sequel to *River God (RC 37819)*, Taita retreats to the desert to study magic after the death of his lover and queen. Years later, when the queen's teenage grandson, Nefer, becomes pharaoh, Taita returns to protect him from intrigue. Violence, some explicit descriptions of sex, and some strong language. 2001.

Bamboo and Lace RC 53748
by Lori Wick
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Lily Walsh has grown up under the guidance of her missionary father in a remote village in a small Asian country. When her brother Jeff, who lives in Hawaii, invites her to visit, their father reluctantly agrees. In Hawaii Lily meets her brother's friend, Gabe, and soon finds herself torn between two very different worlds. 2001.

On Basilisk Station: Honor Harrington, Volume 1 RC 53759
by David Weber
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
Begins a series chronicling the career of spaceship naval officer Honor Harrington, accompanied by her six-legged telepathic cat. Having antagonized her male superiors, Honor is exiled to the galactic outpost Basilisk Station, from where she proves her mettle and military prowess. Some strong language. For senior high and older readers. 1993.

American Front: The Great War, Book 1 RC 53761
by Harry Turtledove
read by Fred Major
5 cassettes
In this alternative history of World War I, President Theodore Roosevelt and the United States join Germany, while President Woodrow Wilson and the Confederate States of America back France and England. The war is fought in trenches on American soil. Violence and strong language. 1998.

Justifiable Means: Sun Coast Chronicles, Volume 2 RC 53764
by Terri Blackstock
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
Detective Larry Millsaps—*Evidence of Mercy (RC 53763)*—is investigating the rape of Melissa Nelson. Bothered by her extensive knowledge regarding evidence needed to convict her attacker, Millsaps finds himself falling in love with her while he tries to uncover her real reasons

for wanting a prime suspect behind bars. 1996.

Ulterior Motives: Sun Coast Chronicles, Volume 3 RC 53765
by Terri Blackstock
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
Detectives Tony Danks and Larry Millsaps investigate the murder of art dealer Louis Dubose. Their main suspect is Ben Robinson, but Ben's ex-wife, Sharon, is not convinced of his guilt. Faith in Jesus holds them all together on a search for kidnapped children—who may hold the crimes' answers. Sequel to *Justifiable Means (RC 53764)*. 1996.

Under Fire: The Corps, Book 9 RC 53772
by W.E.B. Griffin
read by Roy Avers
4 cassettes
Korea, 1950. Captain Ken McCoy is drummed out of the Marine Corps for warning his superiors that North Korea may attack. The newly formed CIA hires McCoy, and American war veterans are recalled as the invasion begins. Sequel to *In Danger's Path (RC 47698)*. Descriptions of sex, violence, and strong language. Bestseller 2002.

Widow's Walk RC 53773
by Robert B. Parker
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
Boston private investigator Spenser is hired in a case involving a young wife suspected of shooting her millionaire husband. Spenser's sleuthing seems to stir up trouble, and, after six more murders, he calls in his bodyguard, Hawk. Violence and strong language. Bestseller 2002.

Southampton Row: A Charlotte and Thomas Pitt Mystery RC 53780
by Anne Perry
read by Terry Hayes Sales
3 cassettes
London, 1892. A politician's wife is a suspect in the murder of a popular spiritualist. Inspector Pitt, having been involuntarily transferred after *The Whitechapel Conspiracy (RC 53266)*, thinks his enemy, Charles Voisey, is guilty—especially since Voisey is running for office against the accused's husband. Bestseller 2002.

A Century of Great Suspense Stories RC 53801
edited by Jeffery Deaver
read by John Polk
5 cassettes
A collection of thirty-six short mystery and suspense stories from twentieth-century masters including Lawrence Block, Erle Stanley Gardner, Tony Hillerman, John D. MacDonald, Sara Paretsky, Ellery Queen, and Rex Stout. 2001.

Up at the Villa RC 53803
by W. Somerset Maugham
read by Mitzi Friedlander
1 cassette
Thirty-year-old English widow Mary Panton, mending her spirits at a borrowed Italian villa, receives two marriage proposals—one from a friend of her late father and another from a ne'er-do-well. When tragedy strikes, Mary uncovers the true character of each suitor. 1940.

Evolution's Darling RC 53806
by Scott Westerfeld
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Thanks to the loving care of a spaceship

captain's daughter, an astronavigational computer achieves sentience. Two centuries later, the machine secures a body of its own as it tracks down rare art works and seeks the answer to the riddle of its being. Explicit descriptions of sex, violence, and strong language. 1999.

Lord of the Far Island RC 53827
by Victoria Holt
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes (Reissue)
At the turn of the century, orphaned Ellen Kellaway is raised by wealthy cousins in London as a companion to their daughter. Although Ellen is courted by fun-loving Philip, son of a powerful family, she senses impending doom as a recurrent nightmare haunts her. 1975.

Yankee Doodle Dead: A Death on Demand Mystery RC 53834
by Carolyn Hart
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Annie and Max Darling, proprietors of a bookshop on a South Carolina island, investigate the murder of retired Brigadier General Bud Hatch, a Yankee transplant. Hatch took over the running of the library board and the Fourth of July festivities. He was killed during the fireworks. Some strong language. 1998.

The Highlander's Touch RC 53836
by Karen Marie Moning
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Lisa Stone, a twenty-first-century woman, is transported back to fourteenth-century Scotland after she touches a rare museum artifact. She meets the immortal laird Circenn Brodie, who has pledged to kill the bearer of the flask. Brodie instead falls in love with the beautiful stranger. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2000.

The Great Legend RC 53837
by Rex Stout
read by Brian Conn
2 cassettes
Ancient Troy. Young warrior Idaeus, his brother killed in battle, becomes a kesten (scribe) for the king. Palace life ensnares him in the daily doings of royalty, secret missions, and political intrigue—while he falls in love with a slave. First serialized in *All-Story Weekly.* 1916.

American Tabloid RC 53838
by James Ellroy
read by Alec Volz
3 cassettes
Three former lawmen become immersed in the political corruption that leads to President John F. Kennedy's assassination. Hired killer Pete Bondurant works for Howard Hughes, ex-FBI agent Ward Littell becomes a mob lawyer, and CIA operative Kemper Boyd pimps for Kennedy. Explicit descriptions of sex, violence, and strong language. 1995.

The Stainless Steel Rat RC 53845
by Harry Harrison
read by John Polk
1 cassette (Reissue)
Slippery Jim can rob a bank in any solar system, con a space captain out of his ship, and start or stop a war, whichever pays him more. So when the cops catch him, the only sensible thing to do is make him a policeman on the Special Forces Squad. 1961.

Halfhyde and the Chain Gangs
RC 53846
by Philip McCutchan
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
The Home Secretary has commissioned an unwilling Halfhyde "to embark convicts for South Africa and to take command of a prison ship." These dangerous criminals will be sworn in as soldiers against the Boer upon arrival, when and if Halfhyde delivers them. Followed by *Halfhyde Goes to War (RC 28556)*. 1985.

The Grand Complication RC 53849
by Allen Kurzweil
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
An eccentric collector inveigles assistance from reference librarian Alexander Short to track the whereabouts of an antique watch known as the Grand Complication. To the detriment of his marriage and career, Short becomes obsessed with the search. Some strong language. 2001.

Alder Gulch RC 53850
by Ernest Haycox
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
When Jeff Pierce jumps ship at Portland, the last thing he wants is to be involved with a woman. But runaway Diana Castle figures differently, and they head east for the gold prospectors' new boom town—Alder Gulch, Montana. 1941.

The Last Jew RC 53852
by Noah Gordon
read by Bruce Huntey
3 cassettes
During the Spanish Inquisition, Yonah Ben Helkias's father and brother are killed—by the same person, he suspects. Drifting through the country, Yonah resists becoming a "converso" (Catholic convert) and makes a living as a laborer, an armorer, and, finally, a physician, until at last he makes peace with his memories. Some violence. 2000.

House of Dreams RC 53854
by Brenda Joyce
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
Isabel de Warenne, who was burned at the stake in 1555, has haunted generations of England's de Warennes and Spain's de la Barcas. As Cass de Warenne and Antonio de la Barca search for answers, Isabel again seeks revenge. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2000.

Collected Stories RC 53855
by Saul Bellow
read by Roy Avers
4 cassettes
Thirteen stories by the American 1976 Nobel laureate. In "What Kind of Day Did You Have?" a renowned but now aging critic makes exorbitant demands of his mistress; though she complies at considerable personal hardship, he fails her at a critical juncture. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2001.

Up in the Air RC 53856
by Walter Kirn
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
Ryan Bingham travels from city to city across America performing a job he hates—firing people. He is a citizen of "Airworld," a parallel universe of airplanes, airports, chain food, rent-a-cars, and suite hotels. He is close to attaining his frequent-flier goal—one million

bonus miles—before he quits or is fired himself. Some strong language. 2001.

The Baked Bean Supper Murders RC 53861
by Virginia Rich
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Widow Eugenia Potter's neighbors are being killed in the Maine fishing village where she lives part-time, and she suspects she might be next. Between community suppers and lobster cook-offs, she investigates. 1983.

Suspicion of Vengeance RC 53862
by Barbara Parker
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
Miami attorney Gail Connor helps a family friend whose grandson is about to be executed for a murder he didn't commit. Gail and her cousin Jackie—a cop in Stuart, Florida, where the crime occurred—investigate. They uncover skeletons in their family that may be linked to the case. Violence and strong language. 2001.

Edge of Victory I: Conquest; Star Wars: The New Jedi Order RC 53872
by Greg Keyes
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
Not content with the destruction they have already rendered, the Yuuzhan Vong now want the heads of all Jedi. The most vulnerable are the young students at the Jedi academy. Anakin Solo sets out to rescue them, but may be too late. Followed by *Edge of Victory II: Rebirth (RC 53873)*. Some violence. 2001.

Just Say No! RC 53900
by Omar Tyree
read by Bill Quinn
4 cassettes
African American buddies Darin Harmon and John Williams of North Carolina receive college scholarships, Darin for sports and John for music. When Darin receives a career-ending injury he becomes John's manager. Successful, John struggles with the temptations of fame—and his bipolar condition. Explicit descriptions of sex, strong language, and some violence. 2001.

The Cardinal RC 53913
by Henry Morton Robinson
read by David Hartley-Margolin
5 cassettes (Reissue)
Stephen Fermoyle, an Irish American from a working-class family, becomes a parish priest and eventually a cardinal. He learns the politics of a city rectory and bishop's office and, later, those of the Vatican during the first half of the twentieth century. Basis for 1963 movie. 1949.

Murder on the Trans-Siberian Express RC 53920
by Stuart M. Kaminsky
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes
Russian police inspector Porfiry Rostnikov is sent on the Trans-Siberian Express to intercept a historical document from czarist times. He leaves behind in Moscow the investigation of the disappearance of a skinhead rock star and the case of a female serial killer. Some violence and some strong language. 2001.

A Flash of Green RC 53921
by John D. MacDonald
read by Chuck Benson
3 cassettes
Widowed Kat Hubble desperately tries to save the bay in her small Florida town of Palm City from being filled in. But politicians and developers conspire to make millions. Reporter James Wing falls in love with Kat and joins her cause. Some violence and some strong language. 1962.

The Captive Queen of Scots RC 53922
by Jean Plaidy
read by John Horton
3 cassettes (Reissue)
In this sequel to *Royal Road to Fotheringay (RC 42082)*, Mary Stuart is imprisoned in 1567 in Lochleven Castle. She escapes and attempts to recapture Scotland, but she loses a battle at Langside and, fleeing to England, is made a captive by her cousin, Queen Elizabeth. 1963.

The Arms of Hercules: Book of the Gods, Volume 3 RC 53925
by Fred Saberhagen
read by Erik Sandvold
3 cassettes
Hercules recounts his own story: how he learns of his true parentage, accounting for his magical strength, and how his combat with various monsters leads him to the ultimate challenge. Sequel to *Ariadne's Web (RC 49938)*. For senior high and older readers. 2000.

A Palm for Mrs. Pollifax RC 53927
by Dorothy Gilman
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Spymaster Mrs. Pollifax enters a Swiss health spa to track down a missing package of plutonium. But her adventure really begins when she meets Robin, a young jewel thief. 1973.

Down among the Dead Men RC 53929
by Patricia Moyes
read by George Holmes
2 cassettes (Reissue)
While on holiday with his wife, Emmy, Chief Inspector Henry Tibbett of Scotland Yard is plunged into a murder investigation involving buried treasure. 1961.

The Murder at the Murder at the Mimosa Inn RC 53930
by Joan Hess
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Bookstore owner Claire Malloy and her fourteen-year-old daughter, Caron, attend a mystery weekend at a friend's inn nearby. A real murder occurs during the costumed, staged event. 1986.

Many Deadly Returns: An Inspector Henry Tibbett Mystery RC 53933
by Patricia Moyes
read by George Holmes
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Lady Balaclava, an eccentric socialite with a huge fortune, is about to celebrate her seventieth birthday. When her Ouija board warns of danger, she takes a special precaution and asks Detective Chief Superintendent Henry Tibbett and his wife to attend the party. But the lady dies before their eyes. 1970.

Shadowland RC 53957
by Peter Straub
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes (Reissue)
At an Arizona prep school in 1958, Tom Flanagan and Del Nightingale, both intrigued by magic, become fast friends. Del's uncle, master magician Coleman Collins, selects Tom as his apprentice

and tests him by leading him into the nine levels of black magic. Some strong language. Bestseller 1980.

Star Wars: The Approaching Storm RC 53974
by Alan Dean Foster
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
The Republic continues to crumble and the galactic government increasingly needs the Jedi to maintain order. Obi-Wan Kenobi and Anakin Skywalker are sent on a vital mission to a world called Ansion. Precedes *Star Wars: Episode II, Attack of the Clones (RC 53975)*. For senior high and older readers. 2002.

Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones RC 53975
by R.A. Salvatore
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
This tale begins ten years after the events of *The Phantom Menace (RC 50064)* and traces the downfall of Anakin Skywalker, the young Jedi who later becomes Darth Vader. Based on the screenplay for the film of the same name. For senior high and older readers. Bestseller 2002.

The Stone Monkey: A Lincoln Rhyme Novel RC 53976
by Jeffery Deaver
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
Paralyzed criminologist Lincoln Rhyme and policewoman Amelia Sachs pursue a sociopath in New York City. Kwan Ang, "the Ghost," scuttled a ship smuggling illegal immigrants to prevent its capture by the authorities. Now he's tracking down survivors in order to eliminate witnesses. Violence and strong language. 2002.

The Mallen Lot RC 53977
by Catherine Cookson
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
2 cassettes (Reissue)
In this sequel to *The Mallen Girl (RC 51110)*, Barbara Bensham has an illicit affair with her first love while her triplet sons—now young adults—also find romance. Some strong language. 1974.

Shayla's Double Brown Baby Blues RC 53980
by Lori Aurelia Williams
read by Gail Nelson
2 cassettes
Continues Shayla's story begun in *When Kambia Elaine Flew in from Neptune (RC 52125)*. Shayla is thirteen, still sorting out her feelings about her undependable father. Now she has to learn the difficulty of supporting her problematic friends, Kambia and Lemm. Some strong language. For senior high and older readers. 2001.

Phantom Waltz RC 53982
by Catherine Anderson
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Rancher Ryan Kendrick of Oregon falls in love with paraplegic Bethany Coulter. Bethany was injured during a barrel-racing contest eight years ago and resists romance. But Ryan puts aside all of her obstacles and continues pursuing her. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2001.

Murphy RC 53985
by Samuel Beckett
read by Graeme Malcolm
1 cassette
Early novel by the Nobel Prize-winning playwright and novelist who died in 1989. With grim humor, verbal show-

manship, and playful erudition—very different from his later works—Beckett explores the deterioration of an alienated Irishman in London. Murphy attempts to disengage himself from everyday life, finally taking refuge in an asylum. Some strong language. 1938.

The Cottage RC 53988
by Danielle Steel
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
Seventy-year-old film idol Coop Winslow is broke and forced to take in boarders to keep his mansion. Newly divorced Mark Friedman and widowed Jimmy O'Connor bring new life to the estate, especially when Mark's teenagers move in. Coop gradually rekindles his interest in the world around him. Some strong language. 2002.

The Thistle and the Rose RC 53989
by Jean Plaidy
read by Jill Ferris
3 cassettes (Reissue)
In this sequel to *The Sixth Wife (RC 52377)*, the marriage of James IV of Scotland and Margaret Tudor, Henry VIII's younger sister, gets off to a shaky start when she discovers that James not only has many mistresses but numerous illegitimate offspring. 1963.

The Matlock Paper RC 53990
by Robert Ludlum
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Dr. James Matlock, a professor at a prestigious Connecticut college, is recruited by the U.S. Justice Department to find the key to a mysterious Corsican document. He becomes involved with drugs, a conspiracy, and the Mafia. Some violence and some strong language. Bestseller 1973.

Johnny under Ground RC 53995
by Patricia Moyes
read by George Holmes
2 cassettes (Reissue)
At a reunion of officers who had served at Dymfield airfield during WWII, Emmy, wife of Chief Inspector Henry Tibbett of Scotland Yard, is persuaded to research the station's history, including the mysterious death of a pilot—raising a number of ghosts. 1965.

Hard Road: A Cat Marsala Mystery RC 53996
by Barbara D'Amato
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Reporter Cat Marsala and her six-year-old nephew, Jeremy, are enjoying Chicago's Oz Festival when they witness a murder and flee for their lives. Unfortunately the main suspect is Jeremy's father. Includes an essay by Brian D'Amato on the works of L. Frank Baum. Some violence and some strong language. 2001.

Swear by the Moon RC 53997
by Shirlee Busbee
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
London, 1798. American Patrick Blackburne is visiting his mother in England. She asks him to stop a blackmailing scheme. As Patrick investigates, he meets notorious heiress Thea Garrett, who had endured a scandal as a young debutante and now has new troubles. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2001.

Maigret and the Madwoman RC 54006
by Georges Simenon
read by Gordon Gould
1 cassette
A little old lady with trusting eyes has a strange tale to relate to Inspector Lapointe, who is sure she is suffering from a persecution mania. A few days later she is found strangled. 1972.

The Surgeon RC 54007
by Tess Gerritsen
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Trauma surgeon Catherine Cordell left Savannah after escaping from a serial murderer whom she managed to kill. A copycat is now stalking her in Boston while finding other victims, and Catherine falls in love with the detective on the case. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 2001.

The Scotswoman RC 54013
by Inglis Fletcher
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
4 cassettes
Flora MacDonald, who saved the life of Prince Charles Edward Stuart (Bonnie Prince Charlie) decades earlier, joins other Highlanders in the colony of North Carolina. Many Scots who side with the Loyalists are killed or captured at the Battle of Moore's Creek Bridge in 1776. 1954.

The Stake RC 54014
by Richard Laymon
read by Chuck Benson
3 cassettes
While day-tripping in backcountry California, two couples come upon a ghost-town hotel. Larry, who is writing a vampire novel, and Pete decide to explore. Discovering a female body with a stake through her heart, they unleash unexpected horrors. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1991.

The Good Men: A Novel of Heresy RC 54022
by Charmaine Craig
read by Frank Coffee
3 cassettes
In fourteenth-century southern France, Pierre Clergue, a village priest, is torn between desires of the spirit and the flesh. His clandestine affairs with three generations of women and his sympathy for the Good Men—a heretical sect—cause him anguish during the Inquisition. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2002.

Atonement RC 54023
by Ian McEwan
read by Annie Wauters
3 cassettes
England, 1935. Cambridge graduates Cecilia and Robbie fall in love, defying class distinctions. But a greater crime is perpetrated by Cecilia's melodramatic thirteen-year-old sister, Briony. Her willful misconstruction of events she witnesses leads to the disintegration of her upper-class family and a lifetime of recriminations. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Spies RC 54025
by Michael Frayn
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
Following one of their mothers around the neighborhood, two British schoolboys during World War II imagine that she is a German spy. Stephen and Keith soon enter the world of grownups and become entangled in events beyond their comprehension. Bestseller 2002.

A Multitude of Sins: Stories RC 54026
by Richard Ford
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
Nine stories and a novella about love and relationships inside and outside marriage. In "Dominion," a young Canadian businesswoman, married with one son, has a long-term affair with an older divorced American. Now both want to end the intimacy, and they search for exit lines. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2001.

The Nanny Diaries RC 54032
by Emma McLaughlin and Nicola Kraus
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
Satirical take on rich New Yorkers who hire caregivers to be substitute parents. An NYU student majoring in child development opts for a part-time nanny job to pay her rent and winds up with more family involvement than she anticipated. Some strong language. Bestseller 2002.

Fool's Errand: The Tawny Man, Book 1 RC 54033
by Robin Hobb
read by Jack Fox
5 cassettes
In the first volume of a trilogy, thirty-five-year-old FitzChivalry Farseer leaves his semiretired seclusion to confront the two magics that divide him and the kingdom. The disappearance of young Prince Dutiful galvanizes Fitz into a quest requiring all his skills. 2002.

Princess in Love RC 54037
by Meg Cabot
read by Erin Jones
1 cassette
New York ninth-grader Mia Thermopolis continues her diary detailing her life with a boyfriend she does not love, impossible algebra tests, a pregnant mother, and princess lessons from her strict grandmère. Sequel to *Princess in the Spotlight (RC 52779)*. For junior and senior high readers. 2002.

Thursday's Child RC 54040
by Sandra Brown
read by Erin Jones
1 cassette
Genetic scientist Allison Leamon reluctantly agrees to trade places with her identical and flamboyant twin, Ann, while Ann undergoes cosmetic surgery to surprise her fiancé, Davis. But events get complicated when Allison and Davis's best friend fall in love at first sight. Explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1985.

Kaleidoscope: A Countess Karitska Novel RC 54041
by Dorothy Gilman
read by Terry Hayes Sales
2 cassettes
New adventures in the world of crime as Madame Karitska *The Clairvoyant Countess (RC 12703)* teams up again with Detective Lieutenant Pruden. The psychic calls on him after an attaché case full of diamonds is thrown in her lap on the New York subway. 2002.

Pendragon RC 54043
by Catherine Coulter
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
England, 1823. Continues the Sherbrooke family saga. Meggie Sher-

brooke's heart breaks when she learns that Jeremy, the man she has spent her youth admiring, is engaged. She agrees to a hasty match with Thomas and enters the dangerous world of Pendragon. Follows *The Scottish Bride (RC 51685)*. Descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2002.

Mortal Prey RC 54049
by John Sandford
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
Minneapolis cop Lucas Davenport teams up with the FBI to track down his old enemy, hit woman Clara Rinker from *Certain Prey (RC 48436)*. Plot involves an inept sniper, Mexican drug lords, the St. Louis mob, and the ever wily Rinker. Strong language and some violence. Bestseller 2002.

The Gates of Sleep RC 54050
by Mercedes Lackey
read by Kristin Allison
3 cassettes
Cornwall, England. When Marina Rosewood was a baby, her parents placed her under the care and tutelage of elemental magicians. They took this sacrificial step to avoid the curse of her evil Aunt Arachne. As Marina's fateful eighteenth birthday approached, so did the threat of the deadly prophecy. 2002.

My Lady's Temptation RC 54053
by Denise Hampton
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
England, King John's reign. Bastard knight Josce FitzBaldwin travels to Nottingham to avenge the murders of his father and two little half-sisters. He immediately suspects that the sheriff, Reiner du Hommet, is involved but nevertheless falls in love with the sheriff's daughter, Elianne. Explicit descriptions of sex. 2002.

April Fool Dead: A Death on Demand Mystery RC 54054
by Carolyn Hart
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
In her South Carolina island hometown, bookstore owner Annie Darling distributes fliers advertising an author's book signing. Then someone plays a vicious joke with counterfeit fliers accusing residents of various crimes. Annie ties the bogus fliers into the murders of a teacher and, later, a student. 2002.

Child of the Prophecy: The Sevenwaters Trilogy, Book 3 RC 54055
by Juliet Marillier
read by Gabriella Cavallero
4 cassettes
Sequel to *Son of the Shadows (RC 53288)*. Final book of the Sevenwaters Trilogy. Fainne, devoted daughter of Niamh of the Sevenwaters clan of Ireland, faces the prophecy of her lineage. To end her father's torture, she must endure the tests of sorcery devised by her evil grandmother. 2002.

Reunion in Death RC 54061
by J.D. Robb
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
New York City, 2059. Police lieutenant Eve Dallas and her assistant, Peabody, investigate the serial murders of wealthy old men. Their case centers on released convict Julianna Dunne and forces Eve to face her own childhood nightmare of abuse. Explicit descriptions of sex, violence, and strong language. Bestseller 2002.

The Snow Garden RC 54064
by Christopher Rice
read by Fred Major
3 cassettes
Atherton freshman Randall Stone is having an affair with Professor Eric Eberman. Scandal erupts on this northeastern campus when Eberman's wife suspiciously drowns. Stone and his friends play private investigators against a backdrop of sexual experimentation, college angst, and crimes of the past. Explicit descriptions of sex and strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Vitals RC 54065
by Greg Bear
read by Alec Volz
2 cassettes
In the near future, scientist Hal Cousins seeks the key to immortality by studying prehistoric undersea bacteria. On the brink of success, he encounters a shady corporation and killers bent on possessing his research. Fighting back, Cousins learns a dark secret about his discovery and its devastating potential. Strong language. 2002.

Everything's Eventual: Fourteen Dark Tales RC 54067
by Stephen King
read by John Polk
4 cassettes
Fourteen short tales of horror and dread, including "Riding the Bullet"—first published on the Internet—in which Alan Parker, hitchhiking through Maine to visit his ailing mother, is picked up by a living corpse in a Mustang. In "In the Deathroom," a reporter is tortured for information. Violence and strong language. Bestseller 2002.

Five for Sorrow, Ten for Joy RC 54075
by Rumer Godden
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Lise, an English-born Parisian former prostitute, who had been jailed for the murder of her pimp, enters a religious community of the Béthanie, a Dominican order of French women founded in the 1860s. 1979.

Tortilla Flat RC 54076
by John Steinbeck
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Danny returns from World War I to discover he has inherited two houses in Monterey, California. He promptly invites all his friends—local denizens of mixed Spanish, Indian, Mexican, and Anglo extraction—to move in. They are a group of generally amoral idlers, with soft hearts and no scruples, who resist honest toil. 1935.

The Sheik RC 54081
by E.M. Hull
read by Susan McInerney
2 cassettes
Influential early-twentieth-century popular romance. When Englishwoman Diana Mayo recklessly embarks on a desert outing, she is kidnapped by Sheik Ahmed Ben Hassan, ravished, and held hostage in his camp. But over time Diana falls in love with the handsome ruler. Some violence and some strong language. 1921.

A Personal Devil RC 54084
by Roberta Gellis
read by Annie Wauters
3 cassettes
London, 1139. Beautiful brothel-keeper Magdalene la Bâtarde enlists the help of her admirer, Sir Bellamy, when blind

prostitute Sabina, one of Magdalene's former employees, needs assistance. Sabina's lover, Master Mainard the saddle maker, has been accused of murdering his nagging wife. Some descriptions of sex. 2001.

When I Fall in Love RC 54088
by Iris Rainer Dart
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
Life is good for Lily Benjamin. She is mother to a wonderful teenager, Bryan; has a great job as a comedy writer; and is engaged to a respected doctor. Then Bryan is shot and paralyzed, and Lily learns to listen to her heart. Some strong language. 1999.

The King of the Castle RC 54089
by Victoria Holt
read by Anne Flosnik
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Gothic novel set in the south of France at the turn of the century. Dallas Lawson is hired to restore the art collection of the aloof but attractive Comte de la Talle, who is rumored to have murdered his wife. Dallas finds herself involved in danger as well as romance. 1967.

Madam Ambassador RC 54091
by Ned Calmer
read by Gary Telles
3 cassettes (Reissue)
The State Department would prefer to see a seasoned diplomat be ambassador to France in 1977. So the appointment of a beautiful and strong-willed heiress, who proceeds to overturn conventions, causes a great ruckus in both the American and French governments. Some strong language. 1975.

The Search of Mary Katherine Mulloy RC 54096
by Carole Bolton
read by Corrie James
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Driven from Ireland by the potato famine of the 1840s and the loss of most of her family, Mary Katherine Mulloy and her younger brother, Joe, arrive in New York to search for Mary's betrothed, Alan O'Dugan—who, they discover, has left for the California gold fields. For senior high and older readers. 1974.

The War Trail North: The Real People, Book 7 RC 54102
by Robert J. Conley
read by L.J. Ganser
1 cassette
The day when Young Puppy goes on his first hunt alone, his older brother is clubbed to death by Hiadeoni, a vengeful warrior of the People of the Great Hill. Now it is Young Puppy's turn for revenge, even though his journey into enemy territory could spark tribal warfare. 1995.

Trouble at Quinn's Crossing RC 54104
by Nelson Nye
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
When Horatio Gill rides into Quinn's Crossing to sell the first barbed wire in the area, he stirs up hard feelings about fencing off access to water. Hoping to play the inhabitants' hostility to his advantage, Gill winds up in the middle of a heated dispute. Some strong language. 1971.

The Power of the Dog RC 54111
by Thomas Savage
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Montana, 1920s. Brothers Phil and George Burbank have run their family ranch together for years. Then at thirty-eight, George marries Rose, a widow who brings her son to live with them. She is unaware that Phil was instrumental in her husband's suicide. Some strong language. 1967.

Red Stick: The White Indian, Book 26 RC 54117
by Donald Clayton Porter
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
As Tecumseh rises up in the West, Little Hawk, son of the White Indian, ponders taking up arms against the British. Meanwhile Gao, the White Indian's courageous nephew, marries and vows revenge on the soldiers who scorned him. Sequel to *War Clouds (RC 39184)*. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1994.

Troy RC 54118
by Adèle Geras
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Told from the point of view of the women of Troy, the tale recounts the last weeks of the Trojan War, when women are sick of tending the wounded, men are tired of fighting, and bored gods and goddesses find ways to stir things up. Some violence. For senior high and older readers. 2000.

The Touch of Fire RC 54119
by Linda Howard
read by Sharon Murray
2 cassettes
Arizona territory, 1871. Physician Annie Parker moves to Silver Mesa to establish a medical practice. She does not expect to fall in love with Rafe McCay after he kidnaps her, and she treats his gunshot wounds. Explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1992.

Shotgun Wedding RC 54124
by Olivia Rupprecht
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Established New York artist Aaron Breedlove, returning to Appalachia when his father dies, marries beautiful Addy McDonald to keep peace between their feuding clans. Then he brings Addy back to the city, where they struggle to trust each other. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1994.

Saints and Sinners RC 54125
by Olivia Rupprecht
read by Mitzi Friedlander
1 cassette
Small-town preacher Matthew Peters takes more than pastoral interest in his new neighbor, single mother Delilah Sampson. Although obviously responsive to him, Dee has secrets from her past and two children to protect. But the physical attraction between them gradually compels decisive action. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1992.

Dead Sleep RC 54133
by Greg Iles
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
In a Hong Kong museum photojournalist Jordan Glass spots a painting of her identical twin's dead body and reopens the investigation into her murder. Glass is joined by FBI agents Daniel Baxter

and Dr. Arthur Lenz from *Mortal Fear (RC 44276)*. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 2001.

Vineyard Shadows: A Martha's Vineyard Mystery RC 54137
by Philip R. Craig
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
Retired cop J.W. Jackson's wife, Zee, kills a deadly intruder. The gangster has been looking for Jackson's first wife's husband, Tom. When Tom shows up asking for help, Jackson's loyalties are torn. But out of respect for his ex-wife he assists Tom—who turns out to be devious. Some strong language. 2001.

Fortress in the Eye of Time RC 54145
by C.J. Cherryh
read by Michael Scherer
5 cassettes
Mauryl, an ancient wizard near death, has one last matter to resolve. With his magical power, Mauryl creates a Shaping—a youth named Tristen—to right the wrongs of a long-ago wizard war. First in a fantasy quartet by Hugo Award-winning author. Precedes *Fortress of Eagles (RC 54146)*. 1995.

Fortress of Eagles RC 54146
by C.J. Cherryh
read by Michael Scherer
3 cassettes
Continues Tristen's tale begun in *Fortress in the Eye of Time (RC 54145)*. Brought to life by a now deceased wizard, Tristen discovers unexpected prowess in war while he serves the young King Cefwyn, who dreams of a united and peaceful Ylesuin. 1998.

Black Water RC 54160
by T. Jefferson Parker
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
On Gwen Wildcraft's twenty-sixth birthday, she dies by gunshot in her bathroom and her policeman husband, Archie, lies wounded in the yard. Most think it's a murder/attempted suicide, but detective Merci Rayborn investigates a different angle. Some violence and some strong language. 2002.

Me Times Three RC 54164
by Alex Witchel
read by Nanette Savard
2 cassettes
1980s, Manhattan. Sandra Berlin is engaged, ambitious, and expecting a storybook future. Her hopes are dashed after she learns her fiancé has deceived her. Thrown back into the singles' pool, she endures dating disasters. Her fears and epiphanies increase when her best friend becomes ill. 2002.

The Loner RC 54170
by Joan Johnston
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Following *The Texan (RC 52110)* the modern-day feud between the Blackthornes and Creeds continues until love intervenes. Billy Coburn returns home to Bitter Creek and enters into a marriage of convenience with Summer Blackthorne. The two uncover family secrets and a suicide. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2002.

Face the Fire RC 54171
by Nora Roberts
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Sam Logan returns to Three Sisters Is-

land after a decade to reclaim Mia Devlin, a white witch. But Mia resents him for abandoning her. Sequel to *Heaven and Earth (RC 53664)*. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. Bestseller 2002.

The Short Forever RC 54172
by Stuart Woods
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Attorney Stone Barrington accepts a job offer in England from John Bartholomew, who wants to separate his niece, Erica, from her drug-dealing boyfriend. Once there Stone reconnects with former lover Sarah Buckminster (whose fiancé mysteriously drowns) and uncovers an espionage plot. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2002.

Ross Poldark: A Novel of Cornwall, 1783–1787 RC 54181
by Winston Graham
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Captain Ross Poldark returns to Cornwall from the lost war in the American colonies to find his father dead and his small estate in ruins. Worse, his wealthy cousin Francis is betrothed to the girl he had intended to marry. Followed by *Demelza (RC 54182)*. 1951.

Shades of Simon Gray RC 54191
by Joyce McDonald
read by Lee Look
1 cassette
After Simon Gray, high school computer nerd, falls into a coma, strange events begin to happen in his New Jersey town. Simon's friends worry about the discovery of their cheating, while Simon is visited by the ghost of a man hanged in 1798. For senior high readers. 2001.

Behind Closed Doors RC 54196
by Olivia Rupprecht
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
Sisters Faith and Gloria secretly arrange for Faith to bear Gloria's baby. After Gloria dies of cancer, her husband, Myles, discovers his paternity and insists on marrying Faith. Although she has loved him for years, Gloria's memory could stand between them. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1991.

Stargirl RC 54207
by Jerry Spinelli
read by Erin Jones
1 cassette
When formerly home-schooled tenth-grader Stargirl enters Mica High School, her classmates shun her as an eccentric. Her boyfriend, Leo, urges her to stop playing the ukulele and conform, so she'll fit in. He learns only too late that popularity isn't what matters most. For junior and senior high readers. 2000.

What You Owe Me RC 54231
by Bebe Moore Campbell
read by Kimberly Schraf
4 cassettes
After World War II African American Hosanna Clark and Holocaust survivor Gilda Rosenstein meet while working as maids. After they develop and market a hand lotion, Gilda takes off with their profits and starts a successful cosmetic company. Hosanna's daughter, Matriece, eventually joins the company, seeking revenge. Some strong language. 2001.

The Gourmet Club: A Sextet RC 54236
by Jun'ichiro Tanizaki
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
Six stories representative of different phases of this early twentieth-century Japanese writer's work, originally published between 1911 and 1955. In the title piece, an overindulged gourmand goes to extreme lengths to pique the jaded appetites of his fellow club members. 2001.

Gateway House: A Western Story RC 54242
by Wayne D. Overholser
read by Michael Russotto
2 cassettes
Rancher Ed Morgan rides to see his dying brother, Ben, recently released from prison. Ben gives Ed a map to his buried gambling money and asks him to share it with Ben's girlfriend, Honey Travers. But others want the loot. Some violence and some strong language. 1952.

About the Author RC 54248
by John Colapinto
read by Christopher Walker
2 cassettes
After his roommate Stewart Church dies in a bicycling accident, struggling writer Cal Cunningham steals Stewart's manuscript and publishes it as his own novel. Becoming rich and famous, he marries Stewart's girlfriend. Problems arise when one of Cal's former lovers blackmails him. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2001.

Summer in Baden-Baden RC 54249
by Leonid Tsypkin
read by David Cutler
2 cassettes
Fictional recreation of Fyodor Dostoyevsky's western European travels with his new wife, Anna, in 1867. Depicts his intense passions and obsessions—jealousy, gambling, his health, the constant humiliation of limited funds, and his anti-Semitism. Portrays the intimacy of the couple's conjugal love and Anna's profound grief at Dostoyevsky's deathbed. Some strong language. 1987.

The Body in the Moonlight: A Faith Fairchild Mystery RC 54268
by Katherine Hall Page
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Faith Fairchild caters First Parish's fund-raising mystery dinner, where a beautiful young lady—of whom her minister husband is fond—dies of poison. Soon the body of the lady's fiancé is found on the moonlit sidewalk. While the village gossips, Faith's husband becomes distant. Some strong language. 2001.

The Sunroom RC 54270
by Beverly Lewis
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
When she was twelve, Rebekah Owens, a minister's daughter from Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, made a pact with God to keep her critically ill mother alive. Now, as an adult, Rebekah rereads the journal she kept when her mother was in the hospital and revisits her childhood surroundings. 1998.

The Rubber Band: A Nero Wolfe Mystery RC 54272
by Rex Stout
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes (Reissue)
The orchid-growing detective Nero Wolfe and his assistant puzzle out a

mystery that started in 1918 among a group of Nevada miners known as "The Rubber Band." Blackmail, lynching, and murder, as well as an English marquis and a beautiful woman, are involved. 1936.

The Horsemasters RC 54277
by Joan Wolf
read by Catherine Byers
3 cassettes
In Cro-Magnon southern France a horde of horseback riders threaten the tribe of the Kindred in this sequel to *Daughter of the Red Deer (RC 37125)*. The exiled warrior Ronan, his lover, Nel, and other renegades fight to halt the invaders. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some violence. 1993.

Dying to Please RC 54306
by Linda Howard
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Butler and bodyguard Sarah Stevens works for a retired judge. When he is murdered, Sarah is investigated and when her next employers are also killed, she becomes the main suspect. With the help—and love—of detective Thompson Cahill, Sarah discovers a deranged stalker. Explicit descriptions of sex, strong language, and some violence. 2002.

The Last Chance Café RC 54320
by Linda Lael Miller
read by Colleen Delany
2 cassettes
When Hallie O'Rourke receives a package at her stepfather's wake, she finds her life and the lives of her twin daughters in jeopardy. Fleeing Phoenix, Hallie takes refuge at Nevada's Last Chance Café. There she meets Chance Qualtrough, who is unaware of the danger she brings. Strong language, some descriptions of sex, and some violence. 2002.

Eden Burning RC 54325
by Elizabeth Lowell
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
In Hawaii's lush tropical landscape Chase Wilcox and Nicole Ballard struggle to come to terms with the passion blossoming between them. Nicole, whose stage name is Pele, the goddess of fire, is in truth afraid of men. Chase hopes to change her. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2002.

Lady Sophia's Lover RC 54333
by Lisa Kleypas
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Victorian London. Impoverished Lady Sophia Sydney takes a job as a clerk/housekeeper to Bow Street magistrate Sir Ross Cannon. Her goal is to harm him, the man who sent her brother to prison and an early death—but he's not the monster she imagined. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2002.

Magic Can Be Murder RC 54366
by Vivian Vande Velde
read by Vanessa Maroney
1 cassette
A tale that combines good witches who cast spells (teenage Nola and her mother), a murder mystery, and a love story. Nola sees a murder through her magic ability and is afraid to reveal herself as a witch to the attractive young investigator. For junior and senior high readers. 2000.

Coldwater RC 54367
by Mardi McConnochie
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes
1847. Three sisters modeled on the Brontës live in Coldwater, a penal colony off the coast of Australia. They attempt to make enough money to escape their father's rule by writing novels. One young woman develops a dangerous relationship with the man their father has chosen for his model prisoner. 2001.

The Associate RC 54369
by Phillip Margolin
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
Lawyer Daniel Ames becomes the scapegoat in a lawsuit involving a pharmaceutical company accused of causing birth defects. After being fired Ames is suspected of murdering his boss. Investigator Kate Ross and attorney Amanda Jaffe help Ames research the case. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 2001.

The Bulgari Connection RC 54387
by Fay Weldon
read by Corrie James
2 cassettes
Doris, the young and greedy second wife of British millionaire Barley Salt, becomes obsessed with a Bulgari necklace and the good fortune of Salt's first wife, Grace. Doris desperately attempts to own the necklace and ruin Grace's life in the process. 2000.

Beyond Bingo RC 54403
by Joan Drummond Miller and others
read by Colleen Delany
2 cassettes
Three elderly California women feel revitalized when they buy some marijuana and bake it in brownies to help a friend who has cancer manage her pain. Before long, supplied by Mafia drug dealers, they are providing illegal relief to other customers. Then a dismembered corpse spoils the fun. Some strong language. 2000.

Whispers RC 54404
by Dean Koontz
read by Michele Schaeffer
3 cassettes
Hilary Thomas, successful Hollywood screenwriter, is haunted by a violent, isolated childhood. When she is stalked by someone she knows, old fears come flooding back. Lieutenant Tony Clemenza wants to help her, but he needs her trust first. Violence and strong language. 1980.

Chopping Spree RC 54456
by Diane Mott Davidson
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Colorado caterer Goldy Schulz is hired by her old college buddy, mall manager Barry Dean, to handle a party for his wealthiest shoppers. At the end of the event Goldy discovers Barry stabbed to death with one of her knives. Some violence and some strong language. 2002.

Agatha Raisin and the Love from Hell RC 54470
by M.C. Beaton
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
2 cassettes
Just as newlyweds Agatha Raisin and James Lacey discover that they are irreconcilably incompatible, James's former mistress is murdered, and he disappears. Agatha and her friend Sir Charles Fraith investigate. 2001.

Relentless Pursuit: Richard Bolitho Novels, Volume 25 RC 54471
by Alexander Kent
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
Off the coast of Africa, 1815. In this sequel to *Second to None (RC 52775)*, Captain Adam Bolitho still mourns the death of his uncle, Richard, but heeds the call to duty. The British admiralty sends him into southern waters to halt slave running. 2001.

The Coelura RC 54559
by Anne McCaffrey
read by Anne Flosnik
1 cassette
In the twenty-second century young Lady Caissa refuses to act as the heir to the planet of Demeathorn, rejects marriage to a chosen man she despises, and flees into the forbidden zone. There she encounters a different life-form and falls in love. 1983.

Q Is for Quarry RC 54825
by Sue Grafton
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Eighteen years ago, California policemen Stacey Oliphant and Con Dolan investigated the murder of a Jane Doe. The case was never resolved. Now retired and in ill health, they ask Kinsey Millhone for help as they try one last time to solve the case. Some strong language. Bestseller 2002.

Books for Children

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including animals, geography, nature, mystery, sports, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Cassettes Nonfiction

Locating and Evaluating Information on the Internet RC 51186
by Art Wolinsky
read by Carolyn Hecker
1 cassette
An overview of the Internet and the development of the World Wide Web. Suggestions for formulating questions and finding answers quickly. Introduces search engines, subject trees, and Boolean logic. Advises young researchers to evaluate results by checking sources and questioning their authenticity. For grades 4-7. 1999.

Blame It on El Niño RC 52324
by Susan Dudley Gold
read by Janet Daley
1 cassette
Examines the weather event known as

El Niño, beginning with facts and fantasies about it. Discusses the local and global effects of this warm current of water that sometimes occurs off the west coast of Ecuador around Christmas. Also includes information on its cooler counterpart, La Niña. For grades 5-8. 2000.

The Place My Words Are Looking For: What Poets Say about and through Their Work RC 52326
selected by Paul B. Janeczko
read by Peggy Gilleland
1 cassette
A collection of poems by thirty-nine poets who also comment on why they write—their inspiration, memories, and enjoyment of playing with words. For grades 4-7. 1990.

Kate and the Beanstalk RC 52337
by Mary Pope Osborne
read by Cyn Delafield
1 cassette
In this version of the classic tale, a girl climbs to the top of a huge beanstalk, where she uses her quick wits to outsmart a monstrous giant and to make a fortune for her mother and herself. For grades K-3 and older readers. 2000.

Living with Epilepsy RC 52338
by Patsy Westcott
read by Graci Ragsdale Miller
1 cassette
Introduces four school-age youngsters who have epilepsy—a condition that results in various types of seizures. Explains the causes, symptoms, and treatment of this disorder and shows how it affects these children and their families. For grades 3-6. 1999.

Clean and Healthy RC 52341
by Angela Royston
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
Discusses germs and the importance of hand washing. Includes information on topics such as blood and wounds, head lice, pets and wild animals, and sunblock. Encourages vaccinations and regular medical and dental checkups. For grades 2-4. 2000.

Safety First RC 52342
by Angela Royston
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
Explains basic safety rules for daily living. Includes tips for crossing the street, riding a bicycle, and swimming. Offers advice on dressing appropriately for the weather, on kitchen safety, and on calling for help in an emergency. For grades 2-4. 2000.

A Healthy Body RC 52343
by Angela Royston
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
Explains the importance of exercise in order to stay healthy. Discusses the roles of muscles, joints, lungs, and the heart in maintaining a fit body. Encourages bending, stretching, running, and balancing as part of playing. For grades 2-4. 2000.

Eat Well RC 52344
by Angela Royston
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
Presents the food pyramid and discusses the basic food groups that are important for a healthy diet. Includes a warning about food allergies. For grades 2-4. 2000.

My America: A Poetry Atlas of the United States RC 52592
selected by Lee Bennett Hopkins
read by Graci Ragsdale Miller
1 cassette
Collection of poems depicting the ever-changing landscape of the United States, its people, and its natural wonders. Hopkins divides the country into seven unique regions, plus Washington, D.C. He also provides interesting facts about each state and the District of Columbia. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 2000.

Meteorite! The Last Days of the Dinosaurs RC 52593
by Richard Norris
read by Cyn Delafield
1 cassette
A scientist uncovers evidence that a significant meteorite plunged to Earth in prehistoric times. It had a huge impact on fauna and flora and may have caused mass extinction of animal life—including the dinosaurs. For grades 5-8. 2000.

How to Dig a Hole to the Other Side of the World RC 52932
by Faith McNulty
read by Russ Weinstein
1 cassette (Reissue)
A child takes an imaginary eight-thousand-mile journey through the center of the Earth and discovers what's inside. For grades K-3. 1979.

On My Way RC 53114
by Tomie De Paola
read by Bruce Nelson
1 cassette
The author-illustrator continues his childhood recollections in this sequel to *Here We All Are (RC 50343)*. He recounts the family's concern when his baby sister got pneumonia, their trip to the 1939 World's Fair, his dance recital, and starting first grade. For grades 2-4. 2001.

Odd Jobs RC 53175
by Ellen Weiss
read by Graci Ragsdale Miller
1 cassette
Highlights twelve unusual occupations and the training needed to achieve them. Includes an alligator wrestler, armpit sniffer, storm chaser, building blaster, sound effects engineer, and a roller coaster designer. For grades 4-7. 2000.

Stone Girl, Bone Girl: The Story of Mary Anning RC 53189
by Laurence Anholt
read by Gillian Green
1 cassette
A brief biography of a young English fossil hunter in the early 1800s. Describes how Mary Anning learns about treasures in the rocks and how at age twelve she makes an important scientific discovery—bones of a sea monster that are 165 million years old. For grades K-3. 1998.

The Ultimate Balloon Book: Forty-Six Projects to Blow Up, Bend, and Twist RC 53843
by Shar Levine and Michael Ouchi
read by Lou Harpenau
1 cassette
This how-to guide offers practical advice on supplies needed, techniques, and safety tips. Provides step-by-step instructions for creating a full range of designs from beginner to advanced levels. Projects include balloon animals, hats, airplanes, plants, bracelets, deco-

rations, and games. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 2001.

American Heritage Book of Great American Speeches for Young People RC 54016
edited by Suzanne McIntire
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Over one hundred speeches, spanning almost four centuries of American history—from Powhatan's warning to Captain John Smith in 1609 through Susan B. Anthony's "Are Women Persons?" in 1873 to Senator Charles S. Robb's thoughtful reflections on the meaning of the flag in 2000. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2001.

Hope through Heartsongs RC 54063
by Mattie J.T. Stepanek
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
A third collection of poems by a young boy with an incurable disease, who cherishes hope even as he faces adversity and personal challenge. In September 2001 he wrote "For Our World," wishing that everyone would pray for peace. For grades 3-6 and older readers. Bestseller 2002.

Vincent van Gogh: Portrait of an Artist RC 54108
by Jan Greenberg and Sandra Jordan
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Biography of the unconventional Dutch artist Vincent van Gogh (1853–1890). Describes the artist's passion for painting; how moving from wet, cold Holland to warm southern France influenced his work; and how he became famous only after his death. For grades 6-9. Siebert Honor. 2001.

Joseph Pulitzer and the *New York World* RC 54122
by Nancy Whitelaw
read by Barry Bernson
1 cassette
Biography of the "father of tabloid journalism," who used sensationalism to sell newspapers at the end of the nineteenth century. Discusses his career, his deteriorating vision, and his establishment of journalism prizes in his name. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2000.

The Kid Who Invented the Trampoline: More Surprising Stories about Inventions RC 54135
by Don L. Wulffson
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Fifty brief accounts of how better products or procedures were discovered. Includes the development of the baby bottle (originally a dried cow's udder); the invention of Post-it notes; and the evolution of an eighth-grader's woodshop project into the snowboard. Companion to *The Kid Who Invented the Popsicle (RC 46619)*. For grades 4-7. 2001.

Food: How We Hunt and Gather It, How We Grow and Eat It, How We Buy and Sell It, How We Preserve and Waste It, and How Some Have Too Much and Others Have Too Little of It RC 54206
by Milton Meltzer
read by Patricia McDermott
1 cassette
An informal historical overview of food and eating. Short segments address such topics as "How the Conquistadors Brought Chocolate to the World" and "How Pizza Came to America." For grades 5-8. 1998.

A Braid of Lives: Native American Childhood RC 54371
edited by Neil Philip
read by Mary Kane
1 cassette
Autobiographical accounts about Native American youths recorded mostly during the late 1800s and early 1900s. Many focus on developing adulthood skills such as a boy's first kill in hunting and a girl's success in growing food. They also discuss playing games and attending boarding schools. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 2000.

Thanksgiving RC 54375
by Alice K. Flanagan
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Discusses harvest festivals in other times and places leading to the Pilgrims' and Wampanoag Indians' American Thanksgiving in 1620. Explains why Thanksgiving is celebrated on the fourth Thursday of November. Suggests ways to show thanks on this national holiday. For grades 2-4. 2002.

Volcanoes RC 54573
by Vincent Bunce
read by Colleen Delany
1 cassette
Describes the nature and causes of volcanoes and lists some major eruptions through history. Tells of ways people have adapted to life near volcanoes and explains the state of earthquake prediction. For grades 4-7. 2000.

Baa! The Most Interesting Book You'll Ever Read about Genes and Cloning RC 54576
by Cynthia Pratt Nicolson
read by Jacinda Bronaugh
1 cassette
An overview of genetics and cloning. Presents basic facts and underlying principles by discussing Mendel's pea experiments, inherited characteristics, the DNA code, faulty human genes, successful cloning of animals, and the implications of human cloning. For grades 4-7. 2001.

Cassettes Fiction

As Ever, Gordy RC 48020
by Mary Downing Hahn
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Following My Own Footsteps (RC 50424)*, Gordy Smith and his sister June are forced to return to their Maryland hometown. Gordy's old classmates and teachers still label him a "juvenile delinquent from a bad family." Gordy starts slipping into trouble again, until he realizes there are people who care about him. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Beetles, Lightly Toasted RC 48783
by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Andy really wants to win a fifth-grade essay contest on conservation, and he especially wants to beat his cousin Jack. Andy's idea involves testing recipes using handy critters—like beetles and worms—on unsuspecting eaters. The results surprise him. For grades 3-6. 1987.

The Talking Eggs: A Folktale from the American South RC 51584
retold by Robert D. San Souci
read by Gillian Green
1 cassette
Creole folktale about a poor widow and her two daughters, Rose and Blanche. Rose is cross and mean, while Blanche

is sweet and kind. When Blanche treats an old witch kindly, she is rewarded. When Rose tries, she is not so lucky. For grades K-3. Coretta Scott King Award. 1989.

What Happened on Planet Kid RC 51589
by Jane Leslie Conly
read by Mimi Bederman
1 cassette
In the late 1950s twelve-year-old Dawn spends the summer in the country with her relatives while her mother undergoes an operation. Dawn and her new friend, Charlotte, whose father is abusive, create an imaginary world to escape their real-life problems. For grades 6-9. 2000.

Sports Stories RC 51857
selected by Alan Durant
read by Gary Roan
2 cassettes
Twenty-one short sports stories, including extracts from some notable works such as *National Velvet* and *Tom Brown's School Days*. The stories feature soccer, tennis, basketball, hockey, go-cart racing, and other popular pastimes. Authors include Walter Dean Myers, Julius Lester, Matt Christopher, and Thomas J. Dygard. For grades 5-8. 2000.

Driving Lessons RC 51862
by Catherine Dexter
read by Cyn Delafield
1 cassette
Fourteen-year-old Mattie resents being sent away to spend the summer in her mother's hometown in South Dakota. Once there, she meets fellow reject, seventeen-year-old Lester. Mattie decides to vent her anger by getting into trouble. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2000.

The Great Gilly Hopkins RC 51866
by Katherine Paterson
read by Phil Regensdorf
1 cassette (Reissue)
Eleven-year-old Gilly has developed a prickly exterior to deal with being a foster child. But when she moves in with big-hearted Maime Trotter and foster brother William Ernest and meets blind Mr. Randolph, the next-door neighbor, Gilly learns to care about others. Some strong language. For grades 5-8. Newbery Honor. 1978.

The Christmas Rat RC 51867
by Avi
read by Gary Roan
1 cassette
Eric Andrick stops feeling bored during Christmas vacation when he becomes deputy to exterminator Anjela Gabrail. Eric swears to attack all rats in his vicinity or to pay the penalty. When Eric has second thoughts about killing the rat in his basement, Anjela reveals the penalty. For grades 4-7. 2000.

One Small Dog RC 51870
by Johanna Hurwitz
read by Gary Roan
1 cassette
After his parents divorce, Curtis thinks having a dog will make him happy. But he finds that taking care of a twelve-week-old puppy can make him sad, especially when the dog bites. Easy chapter book. For grades 2-4. 2000.

Chasing Bears: A Canoe Country Adventure RC 51873
by Earl Fleck
read by Cyn Delafield
1 cassette
Twelve-year-old Danny joins his competitive older brother and reckless father on a canoeing trip into the Canadi-

an wilderness. The bears, bad storms, and difficult portages frighten him, but when the older guys are injured in a freak accident, it is up to Danny to find help. For grades 5-8. 1999.

Last Look RC 51874
by Clyde Robert Bulla
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
From the start, Monica doesn't particularly like the new girl in her class. But when she receives a mysterious note stating that Rhoda is in danger, she must decide if she wants to help. For grades 2-4. 1979.

Fever, 1793 RC 51967
by Laurie Halse Anderson
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
Philadelphia, 1793. Fourteen-year-old Matilda works in her widowed mother's busy coffeehouse along with her grandfather and their cook, Eliza—a freed slave. When a yellow fever epidemic hits the city, people panic and flee, and Matilda's life turns upside down. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2000.

Crescent Moon RC 52107
by Alden R. Carter
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
Living in the logging area of northern Wisconsin during the early 1900s, thirteen-year-old Jeremy helps his uncle carve a statue of a Chippewa maiden as a tribute to the vanishing culture of her people. For grades 6-9. 1999.

A Letter to Mrs. Roosevelt RC 52328
by C. Coco De Young
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
Margo is in fifth grade during the Great Depression, and feels bad about everyone's money problems. When her family is in danger of losing their house, Margo writes a letter to the president's wife, Eleanor Roosevelt. She asks for her help to save their home. For grades 3-6. 1999.

Goodbye, Amanda the Good RC 52333
by Susan Shreve
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
Seventh-grader Amanda dyes her hair and spends time with Slade, a ninth-grader with a bad reputation. Amanda finds her world changes when members of a popular and exclusive clique want her to join "The Club." For grades 5-8 and older readers. 2000.

Katy and the Big Snow RC 52335
by Virginia Lee Burton
read by Don Nelson
1 cassette (Reissue)
Katy, the red crawler tractor, is big and strong. When the entire city is buried under a blizzard and all the other snowplows break down, the people count on Katy to save them. For grades K-3. 1943.

Whiteblack the Penguin Sees the World RC 52336
by Margret Rey and H.A. Rey
read by Don Nelson
1 cassette
In search of new stories for his radio program, Whiteblack the penguin sets out on a journey. Whiteblack has a series of adventures meeting ostriches and a camel before returning home. For grades K-3. 1937.

Nory Ryan's Song RC 52345
by Patricia Reilly Giff
read by Gillian Green
1 cassette
When Ireland's potato crop fails in 1845

and twelve-year-old Nory Ryan's family often goes hungry, she dreams of taking them to Brooklyn, in America. But in the meantime she learns healing from the herbalist Anna Donnelly and scrounges the countryside for food. For grades 4-7. 2000.

Winning RC 52347
by C.S. Adler
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
Average eighth-grade student Vicky discovers that she is good at tennis—a game she loves. Ignored by her mother and older brother, she makes the team—but alienates her only friend, Reggie. And her new partner wants her to cheat. For grades 6-9. 1999.

A Boy at War: A Novel of Pearl Harbor RC 52594
by Harry Mazer
read by Gillian Green
1 cassette
December 7, 1941. Fourteen-year-old Adam lives in Honolulu, Hawaii, where his father is stationed on a battleship. Adam and two of his classmates are fishing in a rowboat when the Japanese attack Pearl Harbor. Although wounded, Adam is conscripted to help the survivors. For grades 6-9. 2001.

The Forgotten Helper: A Christmas Story RC 52596
by Lorrie Moore
read by Cyn Delafield
1 cassette
One Christmas, Santa's grouchiest elf is left behind at the house of a very bad little girl. He must now find a way to improve her behavior so Santa will return the following Christmas and take him back to the North Pole. For grades 3-6. 1987.

The Luckiest Girl RC 52739
by Beverly Cleary
read by Jennifer Mendenhall
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Shelley Latham is eager for new experiences when her parents let her spend her junior year of high school with family friends in sunny California. She enjoys dating a popular basketball player until he fails biology and loses his place on the team. For grades 6-9. 1958.

Sleds on Boston Common: A Story from the American Revolution RC 52751
by Louise Borden
read by John Lescault
1 cassette
Nine-year-old Henry plans to sled down the hills of the Boston Common until he realizes that British troops have camped in the middle of the runs. He complains to the royal general, and a compromise is reached. For grades 3-6. 2000.

Jean and Johnny RC 52756
by Beverly Cleary
read by Jennifer Mendenhall
1 cassette (Reissue)
Jean Jarrett invites popular Johnny Chessler to the Girls' Association dance despite her family's warning about not chasing him. She learns from bittersweet experience that having a crush on a boy doesn't ensure that he has one on her too. For grades 6-9. 1959.

Choo Choo: The Story of a Little Engine Who Ran Away RC 52931
by Virginia Lee Burton
read by John Fulks
1 cassette (Reissue)
Once upon a time there was a little engine named Choo Choo who became tired of pulling heavy coaches from the little town to the big city and back

again. Choo Choo ran away but when the excitement wore off, she was happy to be found. For grades K-3. 1937.

Gerald McBoing Boing RC 52933
by Dr. Seuss
read by John Fulks
1 cassette
A rhyming story about Gerald McCloy, a little boy who makes only weird sounds, like "boing, boing," and doesn't speak words. This upsets his parents, his teachers, and even his classmates. But there is one man who appreciates Gerald's talent. For grades K-3. 1950.

Summer with Elisa RC 52934
by Johanna Hurwitz
read by John Fulks
1 cassette
During the summer between first and second grades, Elisa struggles to write to her brother Russell at camp. Then she enjoys a family vacation in the country. For grades 2-4. 2000.

A Wolf at the Door: And Other Retold Fairy Tales RC 53007
edited by Ellen Datlow and Terri Windling
read by Celeste Lawson
1 cassette
A collection of thirteen tales by science fiction and fantasy authors. In "Hansel's Eyes," by Garth Nix, a blind, spiderlike witch captures Hansel and Gretel in a computer game store. Other writers include Jane Yolen, Michael Cadnum, Gregory Maguire, and Patricia A. McKillip. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2000.

The Underground: Left Behind—the Kids, Volume 6 RC 53127
by Jerry B. Jenkins and Tim LaHaye
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
The Young Tribulation Force plans to publish a newspaper for their fellow classmates, even if it is illegal. Their ingenious method of distribution makes it available to every student. But one of them is called to pay the price. Sequel to *Nicolae High (RC 53126)*. For grades 5-8. 1999.

In the House of Queen's Beasts RC 53180
by Jean Thesman
read by Gillian Green
1 cassette
After undergoing surgery to repair her scarred face, fourteen-year-old Emily looks forward to starting a new life in a new neighborhood. Drawn to the tree house in her backyard, she meets her next-door neighbor, Rowan, who has been using it as a refuge. For grades 6-9. 2001.

The Girls RC 53281
by Amy Goldman Koss
read by Peg Gilleland
1 cassette
Candace, popular leader of a middle school clique, manipulates and ostracizes other kids. Her former friends (each telling her story) are hurt and embarrassed, but gradually realize that there are more important issues than being cool. For grades 5-8. 2000.

Ben, King of the River RC 53630
by David Gifaldi
read by Larry Shapiro
1 cassette
Chad describes his family's first camping trip with his five-year-old brother

Ben, who has a developmental disability and many allergies. Chad tells about the hard time he has dealing with Ben's needs and how much he cares about his sibling. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 2001.

The Cuckoo Tree RC 53653
by Joan Aiken
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes (Reissue)
As the result of an accident, Dido Twite is faced with the responsibility of foiling a Hanoverian plot to put St. Paul's Cathedral on rollers and send it into the River Thames during the coronation of James IV. Sequel to *The Stolen Lake (RC 53652)*. For grades 5-8. 1971.

Marie Antoinette: Princess of Versailles RC 53916
by Kathryn Lasky
read by Gabriella Cavallero
1 cassette
Fictionalized diary begins in 1769 as the thirteen-year-old Austrian archduchess is being groomed to become the queen of France. During the following two years she moves to Versailles, meets her shy and pudgy young husband, and tries to adjust to the odd etiquette of her new country. For grades 5-8. 2000.

The Edge on the Sword RC 53994
by Rebecca Tingle
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
2 cassettes
Ninth-century Britain. During Flaed's fifteenth year she proves herself a worthy eldest daughter of King Alfred. Betrothed to her father's political ally Ethelred of Mercia, Flaed rises to the challenge to fulfill her duties. She even learns the combat skills of a man. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2001.

Stranded RC 54001
by Patricia H. Rushford
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
Jennie McGrady and her grandmother are flying to a ski resort when their small plane crashes. They are rescued but stranded in a religious compound. With her grandmother injured, Jennie befriends Eric and the two uncover drug dealing among the members. For grades 6-9. 2001.

Lord of the Nutcracker Men RC 54005
by Iain Lawrence
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes
During World War I, ten-year-old Johnny believes that the battles he enacts with his toy soldiers at home in London also control the real-life battles that his father is fighting on the western front in France. For grades 5-8. 2001.

The Gentleman Outlaw and Me—Eli: A Story of the Old West RC 54079
by Mary Downing Hahn
read by Margaret Strom
1 cassette
In the late 1800s twelve-year-old Eliza Yates and her dog, Caesar, head west toward Colorado to locate her missing father. After disguising herself as a boy to travel more safely, she teams up with teenage Calvin Featherbone, who calls himself "The Gentleman Outlaw." For grades 5-8. 1996.

Gracie's Girl RC 54105
by Ellen Wittlinger
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
As she starts middle school, Bess volunteers to work on the school musical in hopes of fitting in with the popular crowd. But when she and a friend get to

know an elderly homeless woman, Bess changes her mind about what values are really important. For grades 4-7. 2000.

And Sometimes Why RC 54109
by Mame Farrell
read by Brian Conn
1 cassette
Christy (Chris) and Jack have been best friends since first grade. But Jack is confused when he discovers that, during the summer before they start high school, his jock buddy is turning into a beautiful girl. For grades 6-9. 2001.

Betsy Zane, the Rose of Fort Henry RC 54113
by Lynda Durrant
read by Erin Jones
1 cassette
In 1781 upon the death of her great-aunt, twelve-year-old Betsy leaves Philadelphia to return to her brothers' homestead in Zane Station, near Fort Henry. When the Indians join the British effort against the Americans, she endangers her life to save the fort in the Revolution's final battle. For grades 5-8. 2000.

The Other Ones RC 54123
by Jean Thesman
read by Erin Jones
1 cassette
High school sophomore Bridget is torn between accepting her powers of witchcraft, like her Aunt Cait, or trying to fit in like an ordinary human to please her parents. But when the boy next door is abandoned by his father, she realizes that she has no choice. For grades 6-9. 1999.

Journey to the River Sea RC 54235
by Eva Ibbotson
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes
In 1910, Maia, an orphan, leaves London with her new governess to live with her only relatives, the Carter family, on their rubber plantation in Brazil. Maia endures many hardships, but makes several friends before fulfilling her dream. For grades 5-8. 2001.

The Ropemaker RC 54240
by Peter Dickinson
read by Michele Schaeffer
3 cassettes
When the magic that protects their Valley starts to fail, Tilja and her companions journey into the evil Empire to find the ancient magician, Faheel, who originally cast those spells. For grades 6-9 and older readers. Printz Honor Book. 2001.

Aquamarine RC 54269
by Alice Hoffman
read by Gabriella Cavallero
1 cassette
Twelve-year-old best friends Hailey and Claire are spending their last summer together before Claire moves away. They find a mermaid named Aquamarine trapped in a pool at the deserted Capri Beach Club. The mermaid's predicament leads the girls to adventures and discoveries about the secrets of the heart. For grades 5-8. 2001.

Owen Foote, Super Spy RC 54281
by Stephanie Greene
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
After devising a camouflage outfit, Owen and three of his friends decide that spying on their school principal, Mr. Mahoney, would be the ultimate

test of their abilities. Beginning chapter book. Sequel to *Owen Foote, Money Man (RC 51158)*. For grades 2-4. 2001.

The Recess Queen RC 54344
by Alexis O'Neill
read by Susan McInerney
1 cassette
Mean Jean is the biggest bully on the school playground until new girl Katie Sue arrives and challenges Jean's status as recess queen. For grades K-3. 2002.

Marvin Redpost: Super Fast, Out of Control! RC 54359
by Louis Sachar
read by Rick Rohan
1 cassette
Afraid of riding his new mountain bike, third-grader Marvin finds himself in a desperate situation when he accepts a challenge to ride down Suicide Hill. For grades 2-4. 2000.

A Mammoth Mix-Up: A Brian and Pea Brain Mystery RC 54395
by Elizabeth Levy
read by Christopher Walker
1 cassette
In this easy chapter book, Brian and Penny "Pea Brain" Casanova find a mammoth tusk in their backyard. Brian decides to use it for his science project but someone steals it. The kids search for the thief. For grades 2-4. 1995.

Angel on the Square RC 54409
by Gloria Whelan
read by Anne Flosnik
1 cassette
St. Petersburg, Russia; 1913. Twelve-year-old Katya and her mother are wealthy aristocrats whose world is overturned by war and revolution. By the time the girl is eighteen she has lost everything, yet finds hope for a different future. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 2001.

Junie B., First Grader: Boss of Lunch RC 54447
by Barbara Park
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
First-grader Junie B. is thrilled when Mrs. Gutzman asks her to help in the school cafeteria. But she has to learn the hard way that a helper is not the boss. A beginning chapter book. For grades K-3. 2002.

Junie B. Jones and a Little Monkey Business RC 54482
by Barbara Park
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
Through a misunderstanding, Junie B. thinks that her new baby brother is really a baby monkey. When she reports this to her kindergarten class during show-and-tell, she causes a lot of excitement and a problem for her teacher. For grades K-3. 1993.

Junie B. Jones and Her Big Fat Mouth RC 54483
by Barbara Park
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
Job Day is approaching, and Junie B.'s kindergarten classmates are excited. Junie B. shoots off "her big fat mouth" once too often, claiming she'll have "the bestest job" to present and then realizing she hasn't figured out what it is yet. For grades K-3. 1993.

Junie B. Jones and Some Sneaky Peeky Spying RC 54484
by Barbara Park
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
Being curious about her kindergarten

teacher's private life, Junie B. sneaks up on her in the grocery store and spies on her. Junie B. is surprised by what she sees and doesn't want to get her teacher in trouble. For grades K-3. 1994.

Junie B. Jones Is a Graduation Girl RC 54545
by Barbara Park
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
Junie B. Jones has just turned six and is looking forward to her kindergarten graduation. But when she won't leave her white gown in the box, she gets grape-juice stains on it. And trying to fix things makes them worse. For grades K-3. 2001.

Foreign Language Books

The following cassette titles are available in the languages designated.

Spanish

Rumbo al Sur, Deseando el Norte: Un Romance en Dos Lenguas (Heading South, Looking North: A Bilingual Journey) RC 52983
por Ariel Dorfman
leído por Juan Ramírez
3 cassettes
El escritor latinoamericano habla de su vida como desterrado y de sus peregrinaciones entres países, culturas e idiomas que le dejaron sin país o idioma a cual aferrarse. Dorfman nació en la Argentina mudando después a Nueva York con sus padres rusos judíos. En 1973 vivía en Chile cuando presenció el derrocamiento de Allende, el cual representó el punto crucial de su propria desarrollo político y social. Contiene lenguaje injurioso. (Memoir of a Latin American author and playwright in exile. Born in Argentina to Russian and Jewish parents who moved to New York, he recalls his frequently shifting political and linguistic allegiances. Recounts how Chile's 1973 military coup served as a turning point in his development. Some strong language.) 2001.

El Halcón y la Joya (The Hawk and the Jewel) RC 52989
por Lori Wick
leído por María Pino
3 cassettes
Perdido como niña en los tormentosos mares de Arabia, Shani crece a ser la favorita de la casa de Ahmad Khan. Ahora Shani ha de regresar a su nativa Inglaterra, y el Capitán Brandon Hawkesbury viene a embarcar a la joven mujer, observando que no sería fácil para que la inquieta muchacha acepte un nueva vida . . . una nueva familia . . . una nueva fe. (Though English, Shani is the most favored child in Ahmad Khan's household. Thus she is perplexed when he sends her back to England. On the voyage, Captain Hawkesbury tells Shani about her family and about life in England, but can-

not prepare her for the turmoil she soon faces.) 1996.

Disparo en la Catedral (Shot in the Cathedral) RC 52991

por Mario Bencastro
leído por Juan Ramírez
1 cassette

Rogelio Villaverde es un hombre ordinario que saca empleo como asistente de redacción en un diario de San Salvador. Al mismo tiempo prescencia la violencia de un golpe de estado que resulta en el asesino de un clérigo popular. Rogelio se hace reportero y entonces héroe—llegando a comprender personalmente los efectos de la guerra y su violencia. Descripciones de violencia y lenguaje injurioso. (Rogelio Villaverde, employed as a newspaper assistant, witnesses a military coup in El Salvador that results in the assassination of a popular archbishop. Rogelio becomes a reporter, then a hero, as he experiences firsthand the cruel, impersonal nature of war. Some violence and some strong language.) 1997.

Ramona la Chinche (Ramona the Pest) RC 52990

por Beverly Cleary
leído por María Pino
1 cassette

Ramona conoce a otros alumnos interesantes en su clase de kindergarten. A Davy le gustaría besar si puede, y a Susan quiere tirarle los tentadores rizos de cabello. Para grados 2 a 4 y lectores mayores. (Ramona meets interesting people in kindergarten class, such as Davy, whom she keeps trying to kiss, and Susan, whose springy curls seem to ask to be pulled. For grades 2-4 and older readers.) 1984.

El Mensaje (The Message) RC 52992

por K.A. Applegate
leído por Juan Ramírez
1 cassette

Cassie, Tobías, Rachel y Marco continuan empleando sus poderes de transformarse en animal para luchar contra los invasores extraterrestres. Cassie y Tobías comparten el mismo sueño en que siempre aparece alguien pidiendo ayuda. ¿Es un mensaje, o una trampa de los extraterrestres? Sigue a *El Encuentro (RC 52979)*. Para grados 4 a 7 y lectores mayores. [Cassie, Tobias, Rachel, and Mark transform themselves into animals to fight against alien invaders of Earth. Cassie and Tobias are plagued by a recurring dream of someone needing help. Is it a message or the aliens' deadly trap? Sequel to *El Encuentro (RC 52979)*. For grades 4-7 and older readers.] 1998.

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Analog Science Fiction and Fact (11 issues)
Asimov's Science Fiction (11 issues)
The Atlantic Monthly (11 issues; combined issue July–August)
Das Beste aus *Reader's Digest* (German; 12 issues)
Bon Appétit (monthly)
Buenhogar (Spanish; monthly)
Choice Magazine Listening (on loan from cooperating libraries, bimonthly)
Consumer Reports (monthly)
Contemporary Sound Track: A Review of Pop, Jazz, Rock, and Country (bimonthly)
Cricket (for children, on one cassette with **National Geographic World**, monthly)
Diabetes Forecast (monthly)
Discover (monthly)
Ebony (monthly)
Ellery Queen's Mystery Magazine (11 issues)
Foreign Affairs (6 issues)
Good Housekeeping (monthly plus special issues)
Health and Nutrition Newsletters (includes **Dr. Andrew Weil's Self Healing, Healthline, The Johns Hopkins Medical Letter—Health after Fifty, Mayo Clinic Health Letter,** and **Nutrition Action Healthletter,** monthly)
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Magazine of the Month (monthly)
Money (monthly plus special issues)
The Musical Mainstream (quarterly)
The Nation (47 issues)
National Geographic (monthly)
National Geographic World (for children and teens, on one cassette with **Cricket,** monthly)
National Review (25 issues)
The *New York Times* Book Review (weekly)
Outdoor Life (10 issues; combined issues June–July, December–January)
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New NLS publications

The NLS Reference Section has produced two new publications.

Facts: Books for Blind and Physically Handicapped Individuals (2003) is available in regular print and online at <www.loc.gov/nls/reference/factsheets/annual.html>.

Disability Awareness: A Selected Bibliography (2003) is available in large print and online at <www.loc.gov/nls/reference/bibliographies/awareness.html>.

Both publications can be provided on computer diskette upon request from the NLS Reference Section, telephone (202) 707-9275; fax (202) 707-0712; e-mail <nlsref@loc.gov>.

Newsletter discontinued

Healthline ceased publication and is no longer part of the monthly selection of *Health and Nutrition Newsletters* on cassette.

Books for Adults

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Cassettes Nonfiction

Wake Up, I'm Fat! RC 50253
by Camryn Manheim
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Actress known for her television role in *The Practice* discusses life as a large person in an industry in which looks are paramount. Having created a one-woman show with the same title as this book and having dedicated her Emmy to "all the fat girls," Manheim relishes providing an alternative role model. Strong language. 1999.

Keep It Simple, Stupid: You're Smarter Than You Look RC 52591
by Judy Sheindlin
read by Mimi Bederman
1 cassette
Judge Judy, author of *Don't Pee on My Leg and Tell Me It's Raining (RC 50304)*, uses decades of experience on the bench to offer advice to families. She suggests eliminating excess emotional baggage in order to have a happier life. 2000.

The Girls: Sappho Goes to Hollywood RC 52755
by Diana McLellan
read by MaryBeth Wise
4 cassettes
Journalist McLellan reveals the lesbian and bisexual secrets of movie actresses such as Alla Nazimova, Marlene Dietrich, Tallulah Bankhead, and Greta Garbo. Describes the effect of their emotional lives on their professional work. Explores Garbo's obsession with privacy and her claim that she never met Dietrich. Some descriptions of sex. 2000.

Why God Won't Go Away: Brain Science and the Biology of Belief RC 52761
by Andrew Newberg and others
read by Gary Telles
2 cassettes
In a collaborative effort, a science writer, a radiologist, and a psychiatrist examine the connection between religion and science. They aver that religious conviction is rooted in the biology of the human brain and that spiritual experiences such as prayer and meditation are associated with a series of observable neurological events. 2001.

Life Is Not a Stress Rehearsal: Bringing Yesterday's Sane Wisdom into Today's Insane World RC 53179
by Loretta LaRoche
read by Miriam Wagner
1 cassette
Stress management consultant provides humorous advice on ways to reduce stress in daily life by avoiding overuse of modern technological gadgets. Urges more family time and less television, reduced use of cell phones, and bigger doses of laughter. 2001.

Birds on the Couch: The Bird Shrink's Guide to Keeping Polly from Going Crackers and You out of the Cuckoo's Nest RC 53196
by Ruth Hanessian
read by Miriam Wagner
1 cassette
Pet-store owner uses anecdotes to advise bird fanciers on choosing the right bird and then understanding its behavior and emotions. 1998.

Who Killed Homer? The Demise of Classical Education and the Recovery of Greek Wisdom RC 53388
by Victor Davis Hanson and John Heath
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Explores the premise that while Western values—democracy, free speech, free markets, and individual rights—are spreading rapidly throughout the world, it is vital for universities to continue classical study programs to understand the origins of these ideas in the ancient Greek vision of life. Further discussion of common problems in classics departments. 1998.

How I Came into My Inheritance: And Other True Stories RC 53420
by Dorothy Gallagher
read by Barbara Rappaport
1 cassette
In a series of vignettes, Gallagher reminisces about her Russian-Jewish parents in the throes of old age and their happier times in earlier years. She recalls incidents from her childhood in Washington Heights, New York, and the Marxist philosophy prevalent in her home. Some strong language. 2001.

The Pushcart Prize XXVI: Best of the Small Presses, 2002 RC 53496
edited by Bill Henderson
read by Fred Major
5 cassettes
Seventy-one selections from forty-nine presses. Fiction pieces by Russell Banks, Ann Beattie, Ha Jin, and Ian Frazier. Poems by Billy Collins, Louise Glück, and Wole Soyinka. Essays by Kim Barnes and André Aciman. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2002.

The Complete Works of Isaac Babel RC 53625
by Isaac Babel
read by Annie Wauters
7 cassettes in 2 containers
The entire surviving output of Russian Jewish writer Isaac Babel (1894–1940), chronicler of the revolution and the early Soviet regime. Contains all his short stories (including the Red Cavalry and Odessa stories), reports and essays from his travels, plays, screenplays, and a private diary from 1920. English translation by Peter Constantine. Bestseller 2002.

Churchill: A Biography RC 53641
by Roy Jenkins
read by Bill Wallace
8 cassettes in 2 containers
Jenkins, a member of Parliament and a cabinet secretary who worked with Winston Churchill for sixteen years, concentrates on the late British prime minister's evolution as a politician. Discusses Churchill's insatiable ambition, stubbornness, vanity, and tunnel vision, demonstrating why the politician was prominent for almost sixty years. Bestseller 2001.

How the Scots Invented the Modern World: The True Story of How Western Europe's Poorest Nation Created Our World and Everything in It RC 53671
by Arthur Herman
read by Anne Flosnik
4 cassettes
Historian outlines the influence and achievements of Scotland, emphasizing the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries and marking onsets of the Scottish Enlightenment and the Industrial Revolution. Describes the contributions of Francis Hutcheson, Adam Smith, David Hume, and Sir Walter Scott, as well as the Scottish diaspora to other lands. Bestseller 2001.

Susan La Flesche Picotte, M.D.: Omaha Indian Leader and Reformer RC 53697
by Benson Tong
read by Andrea Maida
2 cassettes
Biography of an Omaha Indian woman, who was born in a tepee in 1865 and graduated from medical college in 1889. As a promoter of social causes and a physician for the Office of Indian Affairs, she practiced Western medicine but remained sensitive to her heritage, effectively bridging the two cultures. 1999.

Killing Dragons: The Conquest of the Alps RC 53702
by Fergus Fleming
read by Steven Carpenter
3 cassettes
History of mountaineering exploits in the central section of the Alps—the highest and most impressive peaks. Discusses first ascents of Mont Blanc and the Matterhorn among others with biographical sketches of such climbers as Horace Benedict de Saussure, a Swiss from Geneva, and Englishman Edward Whymper. 2000.

Cosbyology: Essays and Observations from the Doctor of Comedy RC 53738
by Bill Cosby
read by Peter Jay Fernandez
1 cassette
Humorous sketches from noted comedian and television star Bill Cosby about growing up in the projects of Philadelphia, experiences in school and the navy, and starting on his career and marriage. 2001.

The Future of Life RC 53768
by Edward O. Wilson
read by Tom Burch
2 cassettes
Pulitzer Prize-winning author discusses the Earth's biological heritage and the dangers posed to it by humans. While recognizing the problems inherent in overpopulation and consumerism, Wilson proposes that cooperation between environmental and economic concerns can achieve mutual benefit. Bestseller 2002.

Great Wine Made Simple: Straight Talk from a Master Sommelier RC 53820
by Andrea Immer
read by John Richardson
3 cassettes
Provides guidelines for the beginner to select appropriate wines at home and in restaurants. Teaches the vocabulary of taste appreciation and interpretation of bottle labels and encourages experimenting within budget. 2000.

Through the Brazilian Wilderness RC 53848
by Theodore Roosevelt
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Former president and avid naturalist Roosevelt records observations and reflections of his adventurous expedition to the Amazon basin in 1913–1914, accompanied by his son Kermit. Describes his arduous exploration of the Rio da Dúvida, later renamed in his honor, and the insects, wildlife, and jungle environment he encountered. 2000.

Carnage and Culture: Landmark Battles in the Rise of Western Power RC 53860
by Victor Davis Hanson
read by Butch Hoover
4 cassettes
Military historian theorizes that superiority in waging warfare over the past 2,500 years has led to western civilization's dominance in world affairs. Describes nine battles from 480 B.C. to 1968 to illustrate that this "ability to fight . . . reflects larger social, economic, political, and cultural practices" and ensures victory. 2001.

Jupiter Odyssey: The Story of NASA's *Galileo* Mission RC 53864
by David M. Harland
read by Lou Harpenau
4 cassettes
Focuses on the spaceship *Galileo*'s journey through the solar system. Discusses its observations of Venus, the Earth and its moon, a pair of asteroids, and a comet's crash into Jupiter. Provides insight into the technical challenges and triumphs of this mission, launched in 1989. 2000.

Robert's Rules of Order: Newly Revised RC 53865
by Henry M. Robert
read by Lou Harpenau
6 cassettes
First published in 1876, this tenth edition of the manual of parliamentary procedure still serves as the recognized guide to running and participating effectively in meetings. Includes information on using technology for such electronic meetings as teleconferences, videoconferences, and e-mail. 2000.

All Creatures Great and Small RC 53926
by James Herriot
read by Bob Askey
3 cassettes (Reissue)
An English veterinarian reminisces about his work in Yorkshire that began in 1937 when he was fresh out of school. He recalls tending to the farm and house animals and comforting people whose pets died. Followed by *All Things Bright and Beautiful (RC 39611)*. Bestseller 1972.

Selected Poems: A Bilingual Edition
RC 53952
by Pablo Neruda
read by Peter Gil
2 cassettes
Selections from the major published works of Chile's Nobel laureate, presented in English translation and the original Spanish. Includes pieces from the early *Twenty Love Poems* (1924), portions of his celebrated *The Heights of Macchu Picchu*, and poems from the autobiographical *Memorial de Isla Negra* (1964). 1990.

American Colonies: The Penguin History of the United States RC 53978
by Alan Taylor
read by Bill Wallace
5 cassettes
Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *William Cooper's Town (RC 47225)* explores North American cultural diversity that began in prehistoric times. Describes the interactions of indigenous peoples with the vastly differing explorers, settlers, and slaves. Examines the lasting ecological and economic effects of colonization. 2001.

The Eternal Frontier: An Ecological History of North America and Its Peoples
RC 53992
by Tim Flannery
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
Author of *Throwim Way Leg (RC 48739)* recounts the natural history of the continent as it evolved over the last sixty-five million years. Discusses the "quintessential determinants of life"; their stability and influence in shaping flora, fauna, and human societies; and the ecological crisis of North America in the twenty-first century. 2001.

Bible and Sword: England and Palestine from the Bronze Age to Balfour
RC 54010
by Barbara W. Tuchman
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Traces Britain's involvement in Palestine culminating in the 1917 British victory over Turkey, which guaranteed the Jewish people a homeland. Focuses on England's political and cultural motives that helped create the nation of Israel. 1956.

Blinded by the Right: The Conscience of an Ex-Conservative RC 54035
by David Brock
read by Chris Parente
3 cassettes
Journalist's account of disillusionment and defection from the 1990s neo-conservative movement. Brock recalls efforts to smear Anita Hill during the Clarence Thomas nomination hearings and to discredit the Clintons by any means available. Describes abuses of power he claims to have witnessed among the Washington, D.C., right-wing political establishment. Some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2002.

Self Matters: Creating Your Life from the Inside Out RC 54036
by Phillip C. McGraw
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes
"Dr. Phil" turns inward, expanding his philosophy of life begun in *Life Strategies (RC 47962)* and *Relationship Rescue (RC 49740)*. Explores how to find one's "authentic self" via introspection and other key elements that will lead to a stronger self-concept and self-esteem. Some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Good to Great: Why Some Companies Make the Leap . . . and Others Don't RC 54059
by Jim Collins
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
Findings of a research team that studied eleven businesses for five years to learn how they achieved and sustained success. Profiles Circuit City, Fannie Mae, Philip Morris, and Walgreens, among others. Explores leadership, culture, and technology and presents a framework of ideas that the author claims will improve any organization. Bestseller 2001.

The Essential Galbraith RC 54085
by John Kenneth Galbraith
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
Key selections from five decades of writing on economics. In introductions written in 2001, the author places the essays in historical context and comments on their continued relevance. The last entry is Galbraith's speech "The Unfinished Business of the Century," given at the London School of Economics in 1999. 2001.

An Honorable Defeat: The Last Days of the Confederate Government RC 54120
by William C. Davis
read by David Myers
3 cassettes
Outlines the last four months of the 1865 Confederate government when the secretary of war General John C. Breckinridge tried to persuade President Jefferson Davis to surrender. Describes the infighting within the cabinet and the flight of government officials from Richmond, Virginia, through their capture and subsequent imprisonment. 2001.

Abraham Lincoln: The Prairie Years and the War Years RC 54121
by Carl Sandburg
read by Roy Avers
8 cassettes in 2 containers
Historical biography of Lincoln as a man and as president. An exhaustively researched portrait of the country lawyer whose leadership guided the United States through the Civil War. Sandburg's one-volume distillation of his original six-volume work. 1954.

The New Eight-Week Cholesterol Cure: The Ultimate Program for Preventing Heart Disease RC 54131
by Robert E. Kowalski
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
In a follow-up to his 1987 bestseller *The Eight-Week Cholesterol Cure (RC 26029)*, the author uses updated nutritional information to refine his system of preventing coronary heart disease through diet, exercise, antioxidants, and stress management. Includes recipes. Bestseller 2002.

Getting the Bugs Out: The Rise, Fall, and Comeback of Volkswagen in America RC 54132
by David Kiley
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Journalist and former owner of a 1964 Beetle discusses America's love affair with the German car and Volkswagen's fateful decision to halt its production. Provides an overview of the company's history, going back to the 1930s. Chronicles Volkswagen's remarkable comeback in the 1990s, especially in the United States. 2002.

Lucky Man: A Memoir RC 54165
by Michael J. Fox
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes
Autobiography of the actor, who was diagnosed with early-onset Parkinson's disease in 1991. Reminisces about his Canadian childhood, his move to Los Angeles to begin his film career at eighteen, his alcoholism, and his family—as well as coping with his condition. Some strong language. Bestseller 2002.

Master of the Senate: The Years of Lyndon Johnson RC 54174
by Robert A. Caro
read by Bill Wallace
11 cassettes in 2 containers
The third volume of a biographical study of the thirty-sixth president, following *The Path to Power (RC 18676)* and *Means of Ascent (RC 30837)*. Explains how Johnson, elected to the Senate in 1949, mastered the legislative system and maneuvered himself into the vice-presidency in 1960. Some strong language. Bestseller 2002.

The Camel Drivers: The 17th Aero Squadron in World War I RC 54179
by Otis Lowell Reed and George Roland
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Chronicles the experiences of one of two American squadrons loaned to the British to fly Sopwith Camels during the summer of 1918. Records the dangers and thrills of early aerial warfare, based on official and personal sources, interviews, letters, and diaries. 1996.

Veiled Courage: Inside the Afghan Women's Resistance RC 54180
by Cheryl Benard
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
An American reports on the subjugation of women under Taliban rule and the resistance movement of the Revolutionary Association of the Women of Afghanistan (RAWA). Reveals the courage and resilience of mothers and daughters in their struggle for education and guaranteed human rights. 2002.

Talking about Death Won't Kill You RC 54192
by Virginia Morris
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
To help people make better decisions about death, the author encourages them to accept its inevitability. Discusses considerations to ponder before a crisis arrives and provides medical and legal options. Uses case studies to illustrate how to talk about dying with others and gives tips on relating to terminally ill patients. 2001.

Water: The Fate of Our Most Precious Resource RC 54193
by Marq De Villiers
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Global view of the water crisis facing the world's population in the twenty-first century. Examines such water-related problems as desertification, climate change, pollution, dams. Covers the ecological and political implications of diverting rivers, with special emphasis on the Middle East and borders of the United States. 1999.

Beyond the Medal: A Journey from Their Hearts to Yours RC 54199
by Peter C. Lemon
read by Roy Avers
1 cassette
Congressional Medal of Honor recipients convey their feelings on patriotism, spiritual and family values, and formative experiences. Accompanying their heartfelt words, extracts from the official military citations give the date and describe their heroism. 1997.

On a Roll: From Hot Dog Buns to High-Tech Billions RC 54200
by Howard Jonas
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes
The founder of International Discount Telecommunications (IDT) traces his entrepreneurship to his Bronx childhood. Before he dropped out of Harvard, Jonas ran his own business; later he invented the telecommunications callback system. Describes his battles with AT&T and the development of the Internet. 1998.

Copyrights and Copywrongs: The Rise of Intellectual Property and How It Threatens Creativity RC 54202
by Siva Vaidhyanathan
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2 cassettes
Outlines the principles of American copyright law, traces its development through the twentieth century, and examines its effects on American literature, film, television, and music. Argues that the existing tangle of controls and protections restricts creativity and thwarts democratic free expression. 2001.

The Life You Imagine: Life Lessons for Achieving Your Dreams RC 54209
by Derek Jeter
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
New York Yankees shortstop outlines the ten steps that helped him achieve a successful career in major league baseball and offers advice on how to reach one's goals and dreams. Describes growing up in a supportive multiracial family. For senior high and older readers. 2000.

Andrew Jackson and His Indian Wars RC 54210
by Robert V. Remini
read by Lou Harpenau
3 cassettes
Historian reexamines President Jackson's policy on Native Americans, emphasizing the cultural and social context of the early nineteenth century. Discusses Jackson's personal attitudes and his responsibility for the removal of Native Americans from the east coast. Contends that Jackson believed his actions would improve the Indians' chances to escape extinction. 2001.

Veeck—As in Wreck: The Autobiography of Bill Veeck RC 54214
by Bill Veeck
read by Butch Hoover
4 cassettes (Reissue)
Reminiscences of a baseball-team owner and operator. Humorous account of Veeck's love affair with the game during a lifetime devoted to it. Covers his involvement with the Cleveland Indians, the St. Louis Browns, and the Chicago White Sox. 1962.

The Myth of Sisyphus and Other Essays
RC 54220
by Albert Camus
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
In the title essay, the French philosopher and writer develops an affirmative attitude toward life, even though life is regarded as meaningless and absurd. The other essays also deal with the theme of affirmation in the face of absurdity. 1955.

Facing East from Indian Country: A Native History of Early America
RC 54222
by Daniel K. Richter
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Examines U.S. history from Native American perspectives, focusing on the sixteenth through the eighteenth centuries. Reinterprets documentary sources to reveal the Indians' discovery of Europe, concentrating on how North American natives responded to foreign colonization, incorporating European objects and ideas into their own cultures with unpredictable consequences. 2001.

Murder in Greenwich: Who Killed Martha Moxley? RC 54223
by Mark Fuhrman
read by Richard Hauenstein
2 cassettes
Former Los Angeles police detective describes his investigation, more than twenty years later, into the unsolved 1975 murder of a fifteen-year-old girl outside her home in wealthy Greenwich, Connecticut. Fuhrman identifies Michael Skakel, a cousin of Ethel Kennedy, as the prime suspect. Foreword by Dominick Dunne. Some violence and some strong language. 1998.

Searching for Hassan: An American Family's Journey Home to Iran
RC 54225
by Terence Ward
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
In 1998 the Ward family returns to Tehran seeking the Ghasemi family, long-lost friends from their 1960s stay. Their search and the recollections it engenders create a portrait of Iranian culture. The travelers prove that friendship transcends politics. 2002.

Gregory Peck: A Biography RC 54226
by Gary Fishgall
read by Gary Tipton
3 cassettes
Biography of actor and philanthropist Eldred Gregory Peck, born in 1916 in La Jolla, California. Traces his family life, matriculation at Berkeley, and relocation to New York City where he began his professional career. Concentrates on his films including his Academy Award-winning performance in *To Kill a Mockingbird*. 2002.

Growing Up in a Shipyard: Reminiscences of a Shipbuilding Life in Essex, Massachusetts RC 54250
by Dana A. Story
read by Terence Aselford
2 cassettes
Member of the Essex Historical Society describes his life in his father's shipyard, where generations built wooden schooners and other sailing vessels. The town had been host to the industry since the 1650s, but in 1948 economic conditions drove the author out of business. 1991.

Around the World in Five Hundred Days: The Circumnavigation of the Merchant Bark *Charles Stewart*, 1883–1884, Recounted with Zest and Detail by the Captain's Daughter, Hattie Atwood Freeman RC 54253
edited by Curtis Dahl
read by Colleen Delany
1 cassette
At seventeen, Hattie joins her captain father aboard his trading bark in New York to accompany him to Hobart, Tasmania. She records her adventures at sea, where she gradually acquires duties and skills, as well as her social life in port, where she visits and parties aboard other sailing vessels. 1907.

New England and the Sea RC 54255
by Robert G. Albion and others
read by Colleen Delany
2 cassettes
Traces the roots of the maritime heritage of the northeastern coast of the United States from colonial times through the twentieth century. Covers the "heroic age" of shipping and the "golden age" of fishing and deepwater commerce, the decline of many industries, and the transition to recreational activities. 1972.

The New Intifada: Resisting Israel's Apartheid RC 54262
edited by Roane Carey
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
Essays by Noam Chomsky, Edward Said, and others describe the Israeli-Palestinian conflict from the Palestinian point of view. Concentrates on the intifada following Ariel Sharon's Temple Mount visit in September 2000, the failure of the Oslo agreements, the perceived bias of U.S. media, and the plight of the refugees. Some strong language. 2001.

Small Wonder RC 54304
by Barbara Kingsolver
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
Twenty-three essays, commentaries, and reveries on issues facing humanity by the author of *The Poisonwood Bible (RC 46882)* and *Prodigal Summer (RC 51048)*. Kingsolver ponders random acts of violence and terrorism as well as the value of a good story and pleasures in the natural world. Bestseller 2002.

Odd Girl Out: The Hidden Culture of Aggression in Girls RC 54309
by Rachel Simmons
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
A study of the "hidden culture of girls' aggression in which bullying is epidemic, distinctive, and destructive." Uses anecdotes and surveys to document such behavior and offers suggestions for combating it while helping the perpetrators and their victims. Some strong language. Bestseller 2002.

Chicken Soup for the Teacher's Soul: Stories to Open the Hearts and Rekindle the Spirits of Educators RC 54315
by Jack Canfield and
Mark Victor Hansen
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Anecdotes about adults making a difference in the lives of children. Educators remember reaching out to troubled kids and inspiring their pupils to excel. Children, now grown, fondly remember mentors who encouraged them to succeed. Bestseller 2002.

American Son: A Portrait of John F. Kennedy Jr. RC 54317
by Richard Blow
read by Erik Synnestvedt
2 cassettes
An editor who worked at *George* magazine until it folded reminisces about his former boss, John F. Kennedy Jr., who died in an airplane accident in July 1999. Blow discusses his perception of problems at the office and in Kennedy's private life. Some strong language. Bestseller 2002.

Find Me RC 54318
by Rosie O'Donnell
read by Erin Jones
1 cassette
Comedian and talk-show host interweaves the chronicle of her unusual personal involvement with an unwed, pregnant, fourteen-year-old—raped by a minister—with memories of her own childhood. Learning of Stacie's plight through her adoption agency, Rosie begins a telephone relationship with her that becomes painful and consuming. Bestseller 2002.

Oh, the Things I Know! A Guide to Success, or, Failing That, Happiness RC 54335
by Al Franken
read by Barry Bernson
1 cassette
Humorist offers tongue-in-cheek advice lampooning Dr. Seuss's *Oh, the Places You'll Go! (RC 30795)*. Recent graduates are warned, "Oh, Are You Going to Hate Your First Job!" and "Oh, the Mistakes You'll Keep Repeating!" Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2002.

Medal of Honor: Profiles of America's Military Heroes from the Civil War to the Present RC 54339
by Allen Mikaelian
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Biographical sketches of war heroes who have received the Congressional Medal of Honor—the ultimate award for American combatants. A brief history of the medal explaining its Civil War origins is followed by profiles of eleven recipients, both legendary and little known, through the Vietnam War. Bestseller 2002.

Perpetual War for Perpetual Peace: How We Got to Be So Hated RC 54343
by Gore Vidal
read by Fred Major
1 cassette
Citing the 1995 Oklahoma City bombing and September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, Vidal describes "various provocations on our side that drove [Timothy McVeigh and Osama bin Laden] to such terrible acts." Vidal excoriates the U.S. government's foreign policies and deplores the restrictions on domestic civil liberties subsequent to the attacks. Bestseller 2002.

The Right Words at the Right Time RC 54345
edited by Marlo Thomas
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Actress Marlo Thomas's compilation of more than one hundred celebrities' personal turning points in life—for example, her father Danny Thomas's advice changed her attitude about being compared to him. Contributors include Muhammad Ali, Tom Brokaw, Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Toni Morrison, Steven

Spielberg, Sammy Sosa, Barbara Walters, Oprah Winfrey, and others. Bestseller 2002.

Epilepsy: Patient and Family Guide
RC 54348
by Orrin Devinsky
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
Neurologist outlines the physical and social aspects of epilepsy, including diagnosis and treatment; conditions in children, adults, and the elderly; legal and financial issues; and available resources. Offers advice on day-to-day issues, employment, mental health, and living fully. 2002.

Crocheting in Plain English RC 54350
by Maggie Righetti
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Commonsense approach to this handcraft that is appropriate for beginners and informative for more advanced crocheters. Covers its history and basic preparations; planning projects and stitch techniques; easy-to-follow lessons; finishing touches; and sensible solutions to nagging problems. 1988.

Will the Circle Be Unbroken? Reflections on Death, Rebirth, and Hunger for a Faith RC 54374
by Studs Terkel
read by Michael Scherer
3 cassettes
In his eighty-eighth year, oral historian Terkel gathers the viewpoints of a broad cross-section of ordinary Americans on death and whether there is an afterlife. He interviews AIDS patients, survivors of near-death experiences, and people whose vocations involve regular confrontations with death. 2001.

Sex and Shopping: The Confessions of a Nice Jewish Girl, an Autobiography
RC 54377
by Judith Krantz
read by MaryBeth Wise
4 cassettes
Bestselling romance author describes growing up wealthy in New York City. After graduating from Wellesley, she spends a carefree year in Paris experimenting with her sexuality before returning to New York and eventually marrying a television executive. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2000.

My Story as Told by Water: Confessions, Druidic Rants, Reflections, Bird-Watchings, Fish-Stalkings, Visions, Songs and Prayers Refracting Light, from Living Rivers, in the Age of the Industrial Dark RC 54385
by David James Duncan
read by Gary Telles
3 cassettes
A collection of essays by a dedicated conservationist with a sense of humor. Duncan's love of water and fishing sustain him as he points out many of America's environmental follies. 2001.

The Tapir's Morning Bath: Mysteries of the Tropical Rain Forest and the Scientists Who Are Trying to Solve Them RC 54390
by Elizabeth Royte
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
A journalist joins scientific experts conducting biodiversity research on Barro Colorado Island in the Panama Canal. Discusses their field work and investigations into the origin and persistence of species—the heart of evolutionary and ecological studies. 2001.

Cold Zero: Inside the FBI Hostage Rescue Team RC 54407
by Christopher Whitcomb
read by Steven Carpenter
3 cassettes
Memoir by an FBI special agent. Describes his rigorous training and early missions investigating bank robberies, drug busts, and crank phone calls about Martian kidnapping. He joins the Hostage Rescue Team as a sniper and is involved at Ruby Ridge and Waco and in Kosovo. Violence and strong language. 2001.

Parent Effectiveness Training: The Proven Program for Raising Responsible Children RC 54413
by Thomas Gordon
read by John Hammock
3 cassettes
Revised edition (2000)of a classic parenting text which offers an alternative to both authoritarian and permissive approaches to child rearing. Advocates active listening, emotional frankness, conflict resolution, and problem identification. Offers parents and teachers a method to modify behavior. 1970.

Once upon a Town: The Miracle of the North Platte Canteen RC 54433
by Bob Greene
read by Tom Burch
2 cassettes
The inspirational story of North Platte, Nebraska, a town that served as a brief haven for millions of WWII American soldiers. From Christmas Day 1941 until the end of the war, the residents welcomed every troop train with food, drink, magazines, and words of encouragement. Bestseller 2002.

Ciao, America! An Italian Discovers the U.S. RC 54442
by Beppe Severgnini
read by Frank Coffee
2 cassettes
An Italian journalist and his wife rent a house in Georgetown, in Washington, D.C., and spend a year observing the customs of the country with sardonic bemusement. During their stay, they learn to enjoy air conditioning, pancake houses, Klondike bars, and ice cubes. Bestseller 1995.

Firehouse RC 54444
by David Halberstam
read by L.J. Ganser
1 cassette
Account of the New York City firefighters from Engine 40, Ladder 35, who respond to the attack on the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001. Of the thirteen men on duty, only one survives. Bestseller 2002.

Globalization and Its Discontents RC 54445
by Joseph E. Stiglitz
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
A Nobel laureate in economics explains why globalization provokes the hostility of protesters and proposes a reform agenda. Stiglitz describes the plight of developing nations and, as a former World Bank economist, provides an insider's critique of flaws in existing policies. Bestseller 2002.

Martha Inc.: The Incredible Story of Martha Stewart Living Omnimedia RC 54450
by Christopher M. Byron
read by Kerry Cundiff
3 cassettes
A financial writer examines Stewart's

personal background and traces her rise in business—from housewife to CEO and from cookbook writer to national spokesperson on domestic tastes and fashions. Delves into her business ethics and speculates on the future of her company. Bestseller 2002.

Tuxedo Park: A Wall Street Tycoon and the Secret Palace of Science That Changed the Course of World War II
RC 54463
by Jennet Conant
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
Recounts the career and scientific influence of little-acknowledged Alfred Loomis (1887–1975), whose philanthropy encouraged the development of radar and the atomic bomb. Discusses the multitalented businessman's private physics research lab in Tuxedo Park, New York, to which he enticed brilliant scientists in the 1930s, and his wartime laboratory at MIT. Bestseller 2002.

Venice: Lion City; the Religion of Empire
RC 54491
by Garry Wills
read by Ken Kliban
3 cassettes
A history of Venice, Italy, during the Renaissance, focusing on the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries. Compares Venice to ancient Athens for its combination of high art and naval dominance as a sea empire. Discusses Venetian society and its distinctive religious practices, including defiance of Rome's papal authority. 2001.

Carl Sandburg: Selected Poems
RC 54500
by Carl Sandburg
read by Roy Avers
1 cassette
Representative poems selected from the published collections of Pulitzer Prize-winning American poet, Carl Sandburg (1878–1967). Contains most of the *Chicago Poems* published in 1916, including the "groundbreaking" poems first published in *Poetry*. 1992.

Cookies for Christmas RC 54501
edited by Jennifer Dorland Darling
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Collection of more than one hundred Christmas cookie recipes from the *Better Homes and Gardens* test kitchen. Includes cutout, shaped, sliced, dropped, and bar cookies that feature old world favorites and new cookie ideas with a flavor twist. 1999.

Leap of Faith: An Astronaut's Journey into the Unknown RC 54502
by Gordon Cooper
read by Tom Burch
2 cassettes
Former military test pilot and veteran astronaut from the 1960s Mercury and Gemini space projects recalls his air force training and his missions with NASA. He pleads for serious research on UFOs, which he claims to have seen, and charges that the government has suppressed evidence of extraterrestrial life. Some strong language. 2000.

The Broken Hearth: Reversing the Moral Collapse of the American Family
RC 54505
by William J. Bennett
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Conservative social critic assesses challenges to the nuclear family in America. Examines the historical development of the patriarchal family unit and its function in society. Avers that such trends as cohabitation, illegitimacy, divorce, single-parenting, and same-sex marriage represent a corruption of traditional values that has led to a major social crisis. 2001.

Blowback: The Costs and Consequences of American Empire RC 54512
by Chalmers Johnson
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes
Asian-affairs specialist contends that America's failure to change its post-Cold War globalization ambitions has led to "blowback," a term borrowed from the CIA that refers to often unintended consequences of policies or actions. Johnson believes American economic and military power are overextended and unmanageable—with disaster in store if misguided strategies go uncorrected. 2000.

Chrysler: The Life and Times of an Automotive Genius RC 54541
by Vincent Curcio
read by Robert Sams
7 cassettes in 2 containers
Biography of Kansas prairie native Walter P. Chrysler (1875–1940), who distinguished himself in the railroad industry before joining Buick Motor Car Company in 1912. Chrysler later formed his own New York-based automotive corporation, which thrived due to his engineering and business innovations. 2000.

Addiction-Free: How to Help an Alcoholic or Addict Get Started on Recovery
RC 54543
by Gene Hawes and Anderson Hawes
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Offers advice to individuals concerned about someone who may be addicted to drugs or alcohol. Explains how to recognize addiction and suggests resources, including Alcoholics Anonymous and similar organizations, professional rehabilitation communities, employee-assistance programs, crisis intervention, and the use of law enforcement agencies. 2001.

Trauma Junkie: Memoirs of an Emergency Flight Nurse RC 54544
by Janice Hudson
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
Emergency room nurse describes her career with the California Shock/Trauma Air Rescue service in the San Francisco Bay area. Provides anecdotes of the helicopter crews' varied missions during earthquakes, forest fires, shark attacks, and multiple highway and shooting incidents. Violence and strong language. 2001.

A Mythic Life: Learning to Live Our Greater Story RC 54547
by Jean Houston
read by Mary Kane
3 cassettes
Autobiography of an explorer of world cultures, who finds tools of self-discovery in the many dimensions of human potential. Links her personal mythic experiences to universal archetypes. 1996.

The Only Investment Guide You'll Ever Need RC 54550
by Andrew Tobias
read by Erik Synnestvedt
2 cassettes
Update of the bestselling classic with the same title (RC 11899) wherein the author humorously discusses all aspects of money including Internet investing, taxes, IRAs, budgeting, stocks and bonds, insurance, inheritance, and how to spend smarter. 2002.

Unbought and Unbossed RC 54553
by Shirley Chisholm
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette (Reissue)
Shirley Chisholm, who was the first black woman in Congress, discusses her life, family, groundbreaking career, and political convictions. Representing her home district of Brooklyn between 1968 and 1983, Chisholm was outspoken in her support of the urban poor and also took controversial stands against the Vietnam War and in favor of legal abortion. 1970.

Blind Tom, the Black Pianist-Composer (1849–1908): Continually Enslaved RC 54557
by Geneva Handy Southall
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
Explores the life of pianist-composer Thomas Greene Wiggins, known as Blind Tom, born into slavery in 1849. Southall details the exploitation Wiggins suffered at the hands of his manager and attempts to correct misconceptions regarding Wiggins's life, talent, and contributions to piano literature. 1999.

The End of Homework: How Homework Disrupts Families, Overburdens Children, and Limits Learning RC 54560
by Etta Kralovec and John Buell
read by David Toney
1 cassette
Two educators link school reform to a reduction in homework, contending it undermines family life, creates stress, and accentuates class differences. Offering recommendations for change, they present historical perspectives and debunk the myth that copious homework guarantees achievement. 2000.

Parents under Siege: Why You Are the Solution, Not the Problem, in Your Child's Life RC 54564
by James Garbarino and Claire Bedard
read by John Hammock
2 cassettes
Analyzes aspects of American pop culture that may encourage children to become violent and illustrates how high school peer culture can work against the goals of parents. Offers strategies to improve family relationships and regain influence over one's offspring. 2001.

Stagecoach: Wells Fargo and the American West RC 54566
by Philip L. Fradkin
read by Bob Moore
2 cassettes
A history of the 150-year-old business that started as an express company and became a bank. Emphasizes the early period from 1852 to 1918 when Wells Fargo was a stalwart connecting the East with the West, contributing to its history—and mythology. 2002.

Ireland's Love Poems: Wonder and a Wild Desire RC 54586
edited by A. Norman Jeffares
read by Terry Donnelly
2 cassettes
Anthology of Irish love poems in a diversity of styles, forms, voices, and eras from pagan to modern. While introducing some poets less known, includes such familiar names as Jonathan Swift, Oscar Wilde, W.B. Yeats, Samuel Beckett, and Seamus Heaney. 2002.

The Arabs: Journeys beyond the Mirage RC 54593
by David Lamb
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Revised edition of the 1987 bestselling study of Arab religion, culture, and politics by a veteran Middle East correspondent. Analyzes the developments in the eighties and nineties that produced a "collision of cultures" and situates the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, in a world historical context. 2002.

The Handbook of the New Eastern Europe RC 54602
by Michael G. Kort
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Overview of the nations that comprise eastern Europe since the 1989 fall of Communism, including the former Yugoslavia, the Czech and Slovak republics, Poland, Hungary, Romania, Bulgaria, and Albania. Includes information on history, economics, culture, ethnic groups, and social upheaval. For senior high and older readers. 2001.

Fiddler on the Roof RC 54654
by Joseph Stein
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette (Reissue)
Script of the musical play based on the stories of Sholom Aleichem about a Jewish family living in a Russian village in the early years of the twentieth century. Despite hard times and five daughters, the father, Tevye, manages to keep a sense of humor. 1964.

Aaliyah: More than a Woman RC 54660
by Christopher John Farley
read by David Toney
1 cassette
Biography of the late hip-hop artist who died in a plane accident in 2001 at age twenty-two. Aaliyah Haughton made her first record album at fourteen and had begun a successful transition to Hollywood when tragedy struck. For senior high readers. 2001.

Inside Al Qaeda: Global Network of Terror RC 54682
by Rohan Gunaratna
read by Ken Kliban
3 cassettes
Scrutinizes this worldwide terrorist organization and its theater of operations country by country. Examines Al Qaeda's reach, strategic and tactical threat, mind-set, and messianic culture. Suggests ways for the international community to counter the movement. Based on five years of interviews, research, and travel. 2002.

Yiddish: A Nation of Words RC 54683
by Miriam Weinstein
read by Robert Blumenfeld
2 cassettes
A history of the language of everyday life for Jews of Eastern Europe, Israel,

and the United States. Weinstein, hoping to "strengthen the golden chain of continuity," describes the origin of Yiddish; its growth, decline, and near death; and its limited rebirth. 2001.

Fish! A Remarkable Way to Boost Morale and Improve Results RC 54813
by Stephen C. Lundin and others
read by Jacinda Bronaugh
1 cassette
Parable about business operations, with advice on improving staff morale. Mary Jane Ramirez is promoted to run the "toxic energy dump" department at work. While at the Seattle Pike Place Fish Market, she learns how to improve her workers' attitudes and have fun at the office. Foreword by Ken Blanchard. 2000.

Bush at War RC 55015
by Bob Woodward
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Reconstructs the inner workings of the White House following the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001. Draws on interviews with the principal power brokers—George W. Bush, Dick Cheney, Colin Powell, and Donald Rumsfeld—to recreate the processes by which decisions were reached to bomb Afghanistan and confront Iraq. Some strong language. Bestseller 2002.

Cassettes Fiction

Fiona Range RC 51752
by Mary McGarry Morris
read by Celeste Lawson
3 cassettes
Promiscuous, lonely thirty-year-old waitress Fiona was raised as a charity case in her aunt's prestigious family. She attempts to establish a relationship with her rumored father, but events get out of control. Fiona falls for her cousin's old boyfriend and then for her fiancé. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 2000.

Shame the Devil RC 51965
by George P. Pelecanos
read by Chuck Young
2 cassettes
The fatalities from a D.C. restaurant robbery include a small boy hit by a car and a crook shot by a cop. The child's grieving father, Dimitri Karras, joins a support group, but wants revenge. So does the dead crook's brother. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2000.

The Seekers: The Kent Family Chronicles, Vol. 3 RC 52648
by John Jakes
read by Bob Askey
4 cassettes (Reissue)
Western territories, 1790s. Abraham Kent returns to Boston from the army and falls in love with his stepsister, Elizabeth. Unwilling to work for his father, Philip, he marries Elizabeth and heads west to start a new generation. Sequel to *The Rebels (RC 52647)*. Explicit descriptions of sex and strong language. 1975.

Right as Rain RC 52759
by George P. Pelecanos
read by Conrad Feininger
2 cassettes
African American private detective Derek Strange is hired to clear the name of a black Washington, D.C., policeman who was shot by white fellow officer Terry Quinn. Strange forms an unlikely partnership with Quinn, exonerated but now off the force, to investi-

gate the incident. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2001.

Die Laughing RC 52762
by Steve Allen
read by John Lescault
2 cassettes
Steve Allen agrees to honor ailing octogenarian comedian Benny Hartman's last wish to host a million-dollar award ceremony honoring their craft. But at Benny's funeral another comedian is murdered, leaving Steve and his wife Jayne to investigate. Some strong language. 1998.

Around the World in Eighty Days RC 53171
by Jules Verne
read by John Lescault
2 cassettes (Reissue)
London, 1872. Well-to-do, eccentric Phileas Fogg is certain that he can travel around the world in eighty days. He's so sure that he's wagered half of his fortune and set off on the grand adventure with his servant, Passepartout. Includes a 1988 afterword. For senior high and older readers. 1873.

Memory Boy RC 53191
by Will Weaver
read by Cyn Delafield
1 cassette
In 2008, two years after globally catastrophic volcano eruptions, ash still falls and society is a shambles. Sixteen-year-old Miles Newell, his sister, and his parents flee the violence-torn suburbs for their lakeside cabin. But there they discover dangerous squatters who refuse to leave. For junior and senior high readers. 2001.

The Fiery Cross RC 53366
by Diana Gabaldon
read by Barbara Caruso
10 cassettes in 2 containers
North Carolina, 1771. The Revolution looms as Jamie Fraser and his time-traveling wife, Claire, plan for daughter Brianna's marriage. Also Jamie must choose between his oath to the Crown and the independence struggle. Sequel to *Drums of Autumn (RC 43320)*. Descriptions of sex, strong language, and some violence. Bestseller 2001.

The First Protector: Gene Roddenberry's Earth—Final Conflict, Volume 2 RC 53380
by James White
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Ma'el, a Taelon planetary investigator, travels to Earth in the fourth century to explore human development. Ma'el arrives in Ireland and invites the fugitive Declan to become his protector. Ma'el must reveal Taelon technology to his human companions. Sequel to *The Arrival (RC 53379)*. Associated with Earth—Final Conflict television series. 2000.

Nora's Ribbon of Memories: Keepsake Legacies, Volume 3 RC 53517
by Stephanie Grace Whitson
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
Irene Peale's nephew Noah and friend Reagan take her back home to speed up her recovery from a stroke. When Reagan opens a box containing a "charm string," Irene begins to tell the story of Nora O'Dell, a young girl seeking love and happiness in Lincoln, Nebraska. Sequel to *Karyn's Memory Box (RC 53516)*. 1999.

The Man in the Iron Mask RC 53705
by Alexandre Dumas
read by Steven Carpenter
5 cassettes (Reissue)
In this sequel to *The Three Musketeers (RC 20185)*, the seventeenth-century stalwarts—older but still dashing—become involved in a conspiracy to substitute a prisoner for his royal twin brother, Louis XIV. First published in 1848–1850 in France. Introduction by David Coward. 1991.

The Conan Chronicles: *Conan the Invincible; Conan the Defender; Conan the Unconquered* RC 53758
by Robert Jordan
read by John Polk
4 cassettes
Contains three full-length tales of Conan the Cimmerian. In *Conan the Invincible*, the young Conan confronts the dreaded Eater of Souls. In *Conan the Defender*, he challenges the menace known as Simulacrum of Albanus. And in *Conan the Unconquered*, he defies the power of the Cult of Doom. Violence. 1995.

The Honor of the Queen: Honor Harrington, Volume 2 RC 53760
by David Weber
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
As a female diplomat negotiating an alliance with the chauvinistic planet Grayson, Honor Harrington finds herself in an uncomfortable position. The planet, however, is attacked before she can withdraw. Harrington preserves her queen's honor by assisting the Graysonites. Some strong language. For senior high and older readers. 1993.

Presumption of Guilt: Sun Coast Chronicles, Volume 4 RC 53766
by Terri Blackstock
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
Detectives Larry Millsaps and Tony Danks—from *Ulterior Motives (RC 53765)*—have a new case when reporter Beth Wright begins a story on the St. Clair Children's Home. The night Beth interviews Marlene Brandon, who reveals the crimes taking place at the home, Marlene is murdered. 1997.

The Glorious Prodigal: The House of Winslow, Book 24 RC 53781
by Gilbert Morris
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Arkansas, early 1900s. Within a very short time, Leah Freeman met and married Stuart Winslow against the advice of others. Before long, Stuart is in prison. There he finds faith in God—which may not be enough to save his marriage. Sequel to *The Flying Cavalier (RC 49920)*. 2000.

Spirit Sickness RC 53787
by Kirk Mitchell
read by John Polk
3 cassettes
Bureau of Indian Affairs investigator Emmett Parker and FBI agent Anna Turnipseed investigate the murder of a tribal policeman and his wife on a Navaho reservation. More murders follow before they uncover sibling incest, adoption, and superstition, which bring up their own troubling pasts. Violence and strong language. 2000.

The Agony and the Ecstasy: A Biographical Novel of Michelangelo RC 53802
by Irving Stone
read by Fred Major
6 cassettes (Reissue)
Traces the Renaissance artist Michelangelo's life and career from his youthful apprenticeships to the painter Ghirlandaio and the sculptor Bertoldo to his celebrated years as a master artist. 1961.

In This House of Brede RC 53811
by Rumer Godden
read by Janis Gray
4 cassettes (Reissue)
Philippa Talbot, a successful career woman in her forties, renounces the world to enter Brede monastery, a cloistered order of English Benedictine nuns. Her struggles and personal crises are contained within the larger story of the House itself—its daily life, rules, and rituals. 1969.

The Naked and the Dead RC 53839
by Norman Mailer
read by Bruce Huntey
5 cassettes (Reissue)
Classic novel of World War II. An American infantry platoon invades the Japanese-held island of Anopopei. Mailer explores the soldiers' behavior and emotions under the extreme stress of jungle warfare. Strong language and some violence. 1948.

Star Wars: The New Jedi Order; Edge of Victory II, Rebirth RC 53873
by Greg Keyes
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
The Yuuzhan Vong are still searching for Jedi to slaughter. Han Solo and Leia Organa Solo risk deadly consequences trying to bolster the Jedi resistance, and Anakin and Tahiri are wanted for murder. Yet hope arises in the birth of a special child. Sequel to *Star Wars: The New Jedi Order; Edge of Victory I, Conquest (RC 53872)*. Some violence. 2001.

Foundation's Fear: The Second Foundation Trilogy, Volume 1 RC 53874
by Gregory Benford
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
This authorized prequel to Isaac Asimov's Foundation saga covers the early part of Hari Seldon's career. As candidate for first minister, Seldon creates so many enemies that he and his humaniform robot wife, Dors, flee to a distant planet, where they lose their bodies to preserve their minds. 1997.

The Guardship: The Brethren of the Coast, Book 1 RC 53880
by James L. Nelson
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Virginia, 1701. Planter Thomas Marlowe kills Matthew Wilkenson in a duel over the honor of widow Elizabeth Tinling and then is assigned to protect the colony from pirate Jean-Pierre LeRois. Marlowe conceals his own dubious past. Prequel to *Blackbirder (RC 53881)*. Violence and strong language. 2000.

The Smile of the Stranger RC 53909
by Joan Aiken
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Juliana Paget and her dying father, an expatriate writer living in Italy, are forced to return to their ancestral mansion in Regency England. Once there, Juliana must contend with troublesome relatives, worthless suitors, and murder-

ous assaults until she finds her true love. 1978.

The Riddle of the Shipwrecked Spinster RC 53928
by Patricia Veryan
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
Homely Cordelia Stansbury's reputation has been ruined by her overly ambitious mother and a shipwreck that forced her to spend a year on an island with savages. Piers Cranford is battling to save his family estate when his uncle tries to push the disgraced Cordelia on him. Sequel to *The Riddle of the Reluctant Rake (RC 50360)*. 2001.

Under the Color of Law: A Kevin Kerney Novel RC 53950
by Michael McGarrity
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Santa Fe police chief Kevin Kerney investigates the seemingly unconnected murders of Phyllis Terrell, an ambassador's wife, and Father Joseph Mitchell, a Maryknoll priest. Before long he suspects a government coverup. Violence and strong language. 2001.

Brideshead Revisited RC 53981
by Evelyn Waugh
read by John Horton
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Waugh's classic exploration of faith, tradition, and moral values in a rapidly changing Britain. Charles Ryder narrates the story of an aristocratic English Catholic family between the First and Second World Wars. Charles first meets alcoholic Sebastian Flyte at Oxford and later falls in love with his married sister, Julia. 1944.

The Thirteen Problems RC 54002
by Agatha Christie
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Thirteen tales of crime expertly investigated by Miss Marple. The problems include brutal murder, a supernatural death, a serial thief, and the disappearance of gold bars from a galleon. 1928.

The Red Box RC 54018
by Rex Stout
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes (Reissue)
A beautiful model who should have been watching her figure never dreamed that one little piece of candy could kill her. Her untimely death puts Nero Wolfe in line for the supreme insult of his career—another murder, right in his own home. 1937.

Star Wars: The New Jedi Order; Star by Star RC 54045
by Troy Denning
read by David Hartley-Margolin
4 cassettes
The Jedi Knights battle the invading Yuuzhan Vong warrior race. Han Solo must stand by while his children travel deep into the dark side to destroy the enemy's weaponry. Sequel to *Star Wars: The New Jedi Order; Edge of Victory II, Rebirth (RC 53873)*. 2001.

Blood and Iron: American Empire, Book 1 RC 54046
by Harry Turtledove
read by John Polk
5 cassettes
First of an alternate history trilogy. This post-WWI story posits that the Confederacy won the Civil War, that Europe fell to Germany, and that Upton Sinclair and the Socialist Party oppose Teddy Roosevelt in the 1920 election. Vet-

erans must find their place in a postwar world plagued by racial and political strife. Strong language. 2001.

Lost in Your Arms RC 54051
by Christina Dodd
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
Victorian England. Enid MacLean is coerced into caring for her estranged husband, wounded in the Crimea. After nine years apart, Enid falls in love with Stephen all over again—but the patient has amnesia. Sequel to *In My Wildest Dreams (RC 53202)*. Explicit descriptions of sex. 2002.

The Company: A Novel of the CIA RC 54056
by Robert Littell
read by Richard Hauenstein
7 cassettes in 2 containers
In 1950, Yale graduate Jack McAuliffe is recruited by Harvey "the Sorcerer" Torriti to join the CIA along with attorney Ebby Ebbitt and Leo Kritzky. Jack sees action in East Germany, Hungary, Cuba, Afghanistan, and Russia while searching for a treasonous mole. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2002.

Fallen Dragon RC 54058
by Peter F. Hamilton
read by Jack Fox
5 cassettes
The Zantiu-Braun Corporation greedily rules space colonization in the twenty-fourth century. Its dominance is enforced by the "Skins"—invincible starship soldiers. Lawrence Newton has a personal motive for leading his Skins to Thallspring, where his platoon encounters the fiercest resistance yet. Descriptions of sex and strong language. 2002.

The Years of Rice and Salt RC 54060
by Kim Stanley Robinson
read by Richard Hauenstein
5 cassettes
Alternate history of the past seven hundred years imagines that the fourteenth century's Black Death plague kills 99 percent of Europe's population. Considers a world in which Buddhism and Islam are the dominant religions and New World settlers sail from China, as envisioned by the reincarnation of the central characters. 2002.

Rhapsody: Child of Blood RC 54068
by Elizabeth Haydon
read by Erin Jones
5 cassettes
1146, Third Age. Rhapsody, former prostitute, encounters Achmed and Grunthor while escaping the ire of an ex-client. After the trio journey through the center of Earth, transformed with special powers, they arrive at their destination centuries into the future. Followed by *Prophecy: Child of Earth (RC 54069)*. Descriptions of sex. 1999.

Trustee from the Tool Room RC 54090
by Nevil Shute
read by David Cutler
2 cassettes
Keith Stewart leads a simple life in London making mechanical models and writing for a hobby magazine. While he is temporarily caring for his niece, her parents are shipwrecked off South America, carrying a fortune in diamonds to the bottom. Keith heads off to recover the girl's inheritance and finds adventure. 1960.

A Stainless Steel Rat Is Born RC 54115
by Harry Harrison
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
At seventeen Jim diGriz is a petty criminal on his home planet, Bit O'Heaven, where he is caught and sent to prison. After escaping, he finds a mentor in a mastermind called the Bishop and, by perfecting his skills, earns the nickname, the "Stainless Steel Rat." 1985.

Montana Rides! RC 54116
by Max Brand
read by John Polk
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Montana aims to make a real strike for himself by posing as the long-lost son of wealthy cattleman Richard Lavery. The scheme works perfectly until Montana realizes that he has a conscience, knowing full well that the Lavery son is still alive, a prisoner of Mexican outlaws. 1933.

The Berlin Stories: *The Last of Mr. Norris; Goodbye to Berlin* RC 54128
by Christopher Isherwood
read by Fred Major
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Two fictionalized memoirs of 1930s Berlin and its people and the dangers when Adolph Hitler was beginning his move to power. Some characters, among them Sally Bowles, are featured in the musical *Cabaret*. Foreword by the author written in 1954 after a postwar visit. 1935.

The Holy Road RC 54129
by Michael Blake
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
Resumes the tale of Lt. Dunbar eleven years after *Dances with Wolves (RC 32009)*. Dunbar's happy family life in the village of Ten Bears is disrupted by the advent of a railroad—the white man's holy road—through Comanche land. Confrontation and dislocation ensue. 2001.

Hope to Die: A Matthew Scudder Novel RC 54138
by Lawrence Block
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
New York City private investigator Matthew Scudder is hired by the relatives of a wealthy couple who were killed in a burglary. Even when prime suspects are discovered dead in a murder/suicide, Scudder feels that a third person is involved. And the bodies pile up. Violence and strong language. 2001.

Bleeders: A "Nameless Detective" Novel RC 54139
by Bill Pronzini
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
The Nameless Detective's innocent client is murdered, and the detective himself is almost killed as well. His wife and adopted daughter worry about him as he scours San Francisco's skid row for the culprit. He is sixty and contemplates retirement. Violence and strong language. 2002.

Acorna's Quest RC 54141
by Anne McCaffrey and Margaret Ball
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Acorna: The Unicorn Girl (RC 45684)*, Acorna wants to find her own people. Accompanied by Calum, one of her original rescuers, she encounters many space adventures while searching for her home planet. For senior high and older readers. 1998.

Fortress of Owls RC 54147
by C.J. Cherryh
read by Michael Scherer
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *Fortress of Eagles (RC 54146)*, Tristen's mission continues as the wizard's creation learns human rules of politics and war. Newly crowned King Cefwyn's troubles are far from over as tensions in Ylesuin rise. The approaching conflict has far-reaching implications for the two friends. 1999.

The Bondwoman's Narrative RC 54154
by Hannah Crafts
read by Anna Dearere Smith
2 cassettes
In the 1850s, Hannah Crafts, a North Carolina slave, flees north. She relates factors that caused her to seek freedom and events of her perilous journey. Introduction by Henry Louis Gates Jr., who discovered and edited the nineteenth-century manuscript, considered the first work of fiction by an African American woman. 2002.

City of Bones RC 54156
by Michael Connelly
read by Peter Jay Fernandez
2 cassettes
The scattered bones of an abused, murdered child are discovered in the Hollywood hills. Detective Harry Bosch takes the cold case and tracks the bones to a boy missing since 1980. Bosch also begins an affair with a rookie cop as the case takes on strange twists. Violence and strong language. 2002.

Mortal Allies RC 54157
by Brian Haig
read by Chuck Benson
3 cassettes
Major Sean Drummond, introduced in *Secret Sanction (RC 53151)*, is a JAG lawyer assigned to defend an officer accused of murder in South Korea. Drummond finds that his cocounsel is an old law school nemesis, the defendant is a homosexual, and the CIA has secrets to hide. Violence and strong language. 2002.

The Beach House RC 54158
by James Patterson and Peter de Jonge
read by Gil Bellows
2 cassettes
Jack Mullen, a Columbia University law student from Montauk, Long Island, investigates the death of his younger brother, Peter, who supposedly drowned. Jack knows that Peter was murdered and enlists his friends to help prove it. Rich and powerful people oppose them. Violence and strong language. Bestseller 2002.

2nd Chance RC 54159
by James Patterson
read by Melissa Leo
2 cassettes
Lieutenant Lindsay Boxer of the San Francisco police department enlists the help of her friends in the Women's Murder Club—from *1st to Die (RC 51887)*—to track down a serial killer. Meanwhile Lindsay's estranged father, a former policeman, reenters her life. Violence and strong language. Bestseller 2002.

Body of Lies RC 54163
by Iris Johansen
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Senator Melton schemes to bring forensic sculptor Eve Duncan to Baton Rouge to identify a murder victim. While his plot endangers Duncan's loved ones, she is imperiled by those wishing the bones to remain anony-

mous. Bodies pile up as Duncan keeps working. Some strong language. 2002.

Willow: The De Beers Family, Volume 1 RC 54173
by V.C. Andrews
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
After the death of her adoptive father, Willow De Beers learns of long-kept family secrets that send her on a quest to Palm Beach, Florida. There she finds family, a boyfriend, and an intoxicating lifestyle—which may be ruined by even darker secrets. Followed by *Wicked Forest (RC 54347)*. Bestseller 2002.

Don't Look Back RC 54175
by Amanda Quick
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
Investigator Lavinia Lake and her partner (and lover), Tobias March, accept a case from fellow mesmerist Dr. Howard Hudson. Hudson's manipulative young wife has been murdered, and Lavinia connects the crime to an antique bracelet. Follows *Slightly Shady (RC 51767)*. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2002.

Diplomatic Immunity RC 54176
by Lois McMaster Bujold
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Diplomatic troubleshooter Miles Vorkosigan interrupts his honeymoon to resolve a crisis at the Graf Station in Quaddiespace. The suspicious impoundment of a trade fleet quickly escalates into kidnapping and murder and threatens war. Vorkosigan's superior diplomatic tact is required to keep the peace. 2002.

Bel Canto RC 54190
by Ann Patchett
read by Jill Fox
3 cassettes
The private performance of lyric soprano Roxane Coss entices Japanese industrialist Katsumi Hosokawa to attend a party in his honor in South America. While the audience applauds, guerrillas occupy the mansion taking everyone hostage. As the outer world recedes, relationships between captors and captives come into play. Some strong language. PEN/Faulkner Award. 2001.

The Wall RC 54194
by Mary Roberts Rinehart
read by Carol Dines
3 cassettes
Juliette Ransom, not popular with her husband Arthur's upper-class friends, was bought off in an expensive divorce. After several years, she returns to his island home, starts causing trouble, and is murdered. Finding a motive isn't easy, since no one is aware the answer lies behind a plastered wall. 1938.

Look at Me RC 54195
by Jennifer Egan
read by Jill Fox
4 cassettes
A fashion model finds her life in chaos when she undergoes facial reconstruction after a car crash. Her friend's unattractive teenage daughter forms relationships with older men. Both struggle for inner identity in a consumer culture where appearances rule. Descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2001.

The Love-Artist RC 54198
by Jane Alison
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
Imaginative tale of classical poet Ovid's

banishment from Rome. Famous for his love lyrics, Ovid embarks on an affair with Xenia, a witchlike healer from the Black Sea provinces. In Rome together and both enamored of immortality, Xenia inspires Ovid's work. But the poet's ambition leads to his downfall. Some descriptions of sex. 2001.

The Postcard RC 54201
by Beverly Lewis
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Mennonite widow Rachel Yoder, hysterically blind after witnessing her son and husband killed in a buggy accident, lives and works at her Amish parents' bed-and-breakfast along with her young daughter. There she meets writer Philip Bradley, who uncovers family secrets when he finds a love letter in an antique desk. 1999.

***Moonlight, Madness,* and *Magic* RC 54203**
by Suzanne Forster and others
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Three novellas featuring different generations of the Nightingale family, cursed by a betrayed lover who was burned as a witch. Michael becomes a werewolf and Heath a vampire, but Peyton's lover, a modern-day wiccan, breaks the spell. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1993.

Grand Avenue RC 54204
by Joy Fielding
read by Sharon Murray
3 cassettes
Four suburban neighbors—Chris, Barbara, Susan, and Vicki—forge a bond while gathering at the local playground despite their different lifestyles. Over the years they share problems regarding unfaithful husbands and unruly children until one of them is murdered. Strong language, some descriptions of sex, and some violence. 2001.

Demon Seed RC 54208
by Dean Koontz
read by Alec Volz
1 cassette
A form of artificial intelligence has seized control of Susan Harris's completely automated house. As she struggles to escape the computer's devious plans to gain a human form, it underestimates her power of survival. Strong language and some violence. 1973.

Peace like a River RC 54212
by Leif Enger
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
In early 1960s Minnesota, Davy, seventeen, takes flight from the law after he kills two thugs who assaulted his girlfriend and menaced his nine-year-old sister. His miracle-worker father, poetry-writing sister Swede, and eleven-year-old Reuben, who tells the tale, set out across the Great Plains to find the boy. 2001.

Hotel Honolulu RC 54213
by Paul Theroux
read by Alec Volz
3 cassettes
A writer flees to Hawaii and at forty-nine becomes resident manager of an eighty-room hotel. He impregnates Sweetie, a hotel employee, and finds new things to care about while he watches the hotel owner, tourists, and local denizens. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2001.

Hope Was Here RC 54218
by Joan Bauer
read by Erin Jones
1 cassette
Sixteen-year-old Hope and her aunt Addie, a professional waitress/cook team, move to Wisconsin to help G.T. Stoop run his restaurant. Soon they become involved in removing the corrupt mayor from office, and Hope finds the father she needs. For junior and senior high readers. Newbery Honor. Bestseller 2000.

Angel Creek RC 54221
by Linda Howard
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
After ten years drifting, Lucas Cochran returns to run his family's ranch in the Colorado territories. He falls in love with his orphaned neighbor Dee Swann. But Dee is threatened by other cattlemen who want her land's water. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1991.

Stranger in Paradise: A Carson Springs Novel, Book 1 RC 54224
by Eileen Goudge
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
In picturesque Carson Springs, California, forty-eight-year-old widow Samantha Kiley has a passionate affair with Ian Carpenter, son of her daughter's new husband. While struggling with family disapproval, Sam learns she is pregnant. Added to the fray are a runaway and a murderer. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2001.

Coldheart Canyon RC 54227
by Clive Barker
read by Fred Major
4 cassettes
While movie star Todd Pickett is recovering in Coldheart Canyon from bungled plastic surgery, he encounters ghosts of Hollywood past. Anxious to delay his aging, he learns the old Faustian bargain from his cinematic forebears: eternal youth and beauty are exchanged for heart and soul. Explicit descriptions of sex, violence, and strong language. 2001.

The Merchant of Menace: A Jane Jeffry Mystery RC 54228
by Jill Churchill
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
Jane Jeffry and her children are preparing for the neighborhood Christmas block party when nosy reporter Lance King, in a Santa costume, fatally falls from a roof. Jane and her neighbor Shelley investigate the murder while tolerating the presence of Jane's future mother-in-law. Some strong language. 1999.

Cons, Scams, and Grifts RC 54243
by Joe Gores
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Dan Kearny, last seen in *32 Cadillacs (RC 37271)*, owns a San Francisco collection agency. He is in the process of repossessing classic cars when head gypsy Staley Zlachi hires him to find a clanswoman who murdered her husband. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2001.

Slap Your Sides RC 54247
by M.E. Kerr
read by Mark Ashby
1 cassette
Life in their Pennsylvania hometown changes for Jubal Shoemaker and his Quaker family when his older brother Bud becomes a conscientious objector during World War II. Jubal's own convictions about killing are tested while protecting a friend. For junior and senior high readers. 2001.

Going to the Chapel RC 54264
by Rochelle Alers and others
read by Robin Miles
3 cassettes
Four short romances featuring African American women who meet their soul mates. In "Stand-In Bride," middle-aged wedding planner Katherine Langdon is attracted to a bride's father. In "Learning to Love," American Sharon Braxton encounters cultural differences when she falls in love with a Nigerian. Some descriptions of sex. 2001.

The Dark Island RC 54266
by Robert J. Conley
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Raised in a Cherokee village but born of a captive Timucua mother and an unknown Spanish father, Asquani has always felt like an outsider. Now with the Spanish invading, Asquani must choose whether to join the Spaniards or defend the homeland of the Real People. 1995.

In a Pig's Eye RC 54267
by Robert Campbell
read by L.J. Ganser
1 cassette
Jimmy Flannery, Chicago sewer inspector and Democratic committeeman, investigates the death of an anonymous man who collapses in the gym. He was carrying Italian silver coins in his pocket. Flannery's curiosity intensifies after he is warned off by the Mafia. Some strong language. 1991.

The Crying Sisters RC 54274
by Mabel Seeley
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Twenty-nine-year-old small-town librarian Janet Ruell is vacationing alone when she meets a man and his young son at her first stopover. She impulsively agrees to accompany the stranger to another resort to watch the boy. What follows is mayhem and murder. 1939.

Gay Lord Robert RC 54275
by Jean Plaidy
read by Jill Ferris
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Passionate lovers Robert Dudley and Elizabeth I of England cannot marry because Robert has a wife, young Amy. When Amy mysteriously dies, the queen and her devotee become chief suspects, and the court is rife with the scandal in 1560. Sequel to *The Spanish Bridegroom (RC 53713)*. 1955.

Sauce for the Goose RC 54282
by Robert Campbell
read by L.J. Ganser
1 cassette
Chicago sewer inspector and new father Jimmy Flannery is also a committeeman for the Democratic Party. He suspects that his adult education teacher, big-time lawyer Frank Vollmer, who is in charge of awarding city contracts, is guilty of murdering a classmate—mobster Vince Pastorelli—in connection with a parking-meter fix. Some strong language. 1994.

Fatal RC 54307
by Michael Palmer
read by Ray Foushee
3 cassettes
Dr. Matt Ruttledge believes that the illnesses in his hometown of Belinda, West Virginia, are caused by the local coal mine. Then, with the investigative help of visiting doctor Nikki Solari, he discovers that an experimental vaccine tested a decade earlier is the culprit—and is going on sale. Violence and strong language. 2002.

Good in Bed RC 54308
by Jennifer Weiner
read by Erin Jones
3 cassettes
After her ex-boyfriend discusses her weight problem in a magazine column, successful reporter Cannie feels betrayed. Cannie's family offer little solace, but with her friends' help, the sale of her screenplay, and an unexpected baby, she realizes what's important. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

The Widow's Kiss RC 54310
by Jane Feather
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
England, 1536. Upon learning that the wealthy Lady Guinevere's fourth husband has died, King Henry VIII and Thomas Cromwell scheme to steal her lands. Hugh of Beaucaire, sent to fetch her to London, falls in love with the suspected murderess. Followed by *To Kiss a Spy (RC 54311)*. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2001.

The Wailing Wind RC 54322
by Tony Hillerman
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Sergeant Jim Chee of the Navajo Tribal Police calls in retired boss Joe Leaphorn when rookie Bernadette Manuelito discovers a white man shot in the desert. They uncover similarities to a haunting older case: a murderer's wife had disappeared after her husband's conviction for killing a swindler. Some strong language. Bestseller 2002.

The Dive from Clausen's Pier RC 54324
by Ann Packer
read by Jill Fox
3 cassettes
Carrie, raised in Wisconsin and engaged to her high school sweetheart, feels her life is all too predictable. Her fiancé's dive off a pier, leaving him a quadriplegic, precipitates her move to New York City and a lot of soul searching. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2002.

Enemy Women RC 54327
by Paulette Jiles
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
As the Civil War sweeps through Missouri in 1864, Adair Colley turns eighteen witnessing Union militia atrocities. Arrested as an enemy collaborator, Adair suffers the indignities of wartime prison while having an unexpected romance with Union major William Neumann, her interrogator. Some strong language. 2002.

Freedom's Ransom RC 54329
by Anne McCaffrey
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
In this continuation of *Freedom's Challenge (RC 47761)*, the settlers on planet Botany must establish trade with other planets to survive. Barevi has stockpiles of manufactured goods needed on Botany, and coffee from Earth is the favored trade commodity. Zainal plays a key role as he undertakes vital trade missions. 2002.

Hard Eight RC 54331
by Janet Evanovich
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
Gone missing are the daughter and granddaughter of a next-door neighbor of Stephanie Plum's parents in Trenton, New Jersey. Several characters join bail bondsman Stephanie's search for the pair: her friend Ranger; her former fiancé, Joe Morelli; and the daughter's ex-husband and landlord. Strong language and some violence. Bestseller 2002.

Jolie Blon's Bounce RC 54332
by James Lee Burke
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
Dave Robicheaux of the New Iberia, Louisiana, sheriff's department investigates the vicious murders of two local teenage girls. One was an honor student, the other a Mafia hit man's daughter. The family history of the main suspect creates complications. Explicit descriptions of sex, violence, and strong language. 2002.

The Next Accident RC 54334
by Lisa Gardner
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Rainie Conner, a Portland, Oregon, private investigator, is hired by FBI agent Pierce Quincy to investigate the death of his daughter. Quincy's family join forces as other relatives are murdered by a psychopathic killer. Sequel to *The Third Victim (RC 51904)*. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2001.

Running Scared RC 54336
by Elizabeth Lowell
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
Jewelry expert Risa Sheridan, a curator for a Las Vegas casino, helps her boss, Shane Tannahill, acquire ancient Celtic pieces for his collection. Risa's childhood friend Cherelle Faulkner is trying to obtain some stolen Druid gold from a former GI. Strong language, some descriptions of sex, and some violence. 2002.

Sunset in St. Tropez RC 54338
by Danielle Steel
read by Erin Jones
1 cassette
Three New York couples—Diana and Eric Morrison, Pascale and John Donnally, and Anne and Robert Smith—decide to vacation in France one summer. But Anne dies before the trip, so Robert causes turmoil when he invites his new girlfriend, an actress, to join them. 2002.

Time: Manifold Trilogy, Volume 1 RC 54340
by Stephen Baxter
read by Gary Tipton
4 cassettes
2010. Reid Malenfant sets up the Boot-

strap corporation to lure humans into space with the promise of limitless natural resources. Sheena Five, a genetically engineered smart squid, pilots the unmanned first mission. Malenfant plows ahead despite NASA's attempts to shut him down. Followed by *Space (RC 54341)*. Strong language. 2000.

The Bat; Bab, a Sub-Deb **RC 54357**
by Mary Roberts Rinehart
read by Margaret Strom
3 cassettes
A pair of works by Rinehart. In *The Bat*, someone or something is trying to scare Miss Cornelia Van Gorder, of New York City, to death. In *Bab, a Sub-Deb*, the writing assignment of a schoolgirl, who is a year away from her debut, leads to tragedy and murder. 1920.

Lost Soldiers RC 54360
by James Webb
read by Steven Carpenter
3 cassettes
Brandon Condley, an ex-Marine who recovers the remains of American MIAs in Vietnam, discovers that a murderous American turncoat is still alive. Theodore Deville, who deserted and joined the enemy in 1967, may now be a major drug smuggler. Condley stalks the traitor through Saigon, Moscow, and Bangkok. Strong language and some violence. 2001.

Pale Horse Coming RC 54363
by Stephen Hunter
read by Robert Sams
4 cassettes
In this sequel to *Hot Springs (RC 51332)*, former Marine Earl Swagger, now with the Arkansas state police, helps attorney friend Sam Vincent search for an African American heir. In Thebes, Mississippi, Sam disappears, and Earl follows—only to uncover a horrible penal farm in the swamps. Violence and strong language. 2001.

Losing Julia RC 54370
by Jonathan Hull
read by Michael Russotto
3 cassettes
Alternating between past and present, eighty-one-year-old Patrick Delaney recalls losing Daniel, his best friend and fellow soldier, in 1918. Ten years later, he meets Daniel's lover, Julia. But Patrick is married, and Julia claims to be engaged. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 2000.

Gabriel's Story RC 54372
by David Anthony Durham
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
A fifteen-year-old African American comes of age on the 1870s frontier. When his widowed mother remarries and takes him from Baltimore to Kansas, Gabriel broods over lost opportunities and resents the hard farm life. He runs off with a band of cowboys, but the journey turns desperate and dangerous. Violence and strong language. 2001.

The Color of Absence: Twelve Stories about Loss and Hope RC 54373
edited by James Howe
read by Susan McInerney
2 cassettes
A dozen short stories dealing with various losses. In "Shoofly Pie," Arab American Mattie mourns the death of her mother and takes solace in her new job at a restaurant. In "Season's End," an aging baseball player loses his last championship game. For senior high readers. 2001.

The Circular Staircase; The Man in Lower Ten **RC 54376**
by Mary Roberts Rinehart
read by Margaret Strom
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Two mysteries from the early twentieth century. In *The Circular Staircase*, maiden aunt Ruth takes her nephew and niece to the country for the summer. The niece becomes the main suspect in a series of crimes. In *The Man in Lower Ten*, a lawyer solves a murder and falls in love. 1909.

Out of This World RC 54379
by J.D. Robb and others
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
Four romance novellas featuring the paranormal or the future. J.D. Robb's "Interlude in Death" includes lieutenant Eve Dallas, last seen in *Seduction in Death (RC 53132)*. Others deal with witches, vampires, werewolves, and telepaths. Strong language, some descriptions of sex, and some violence. 2001.

Photo Hero: A Satire of Photography RC 54383
by George A. Covington
read by Gary Telles
2 cassettes
Anthony Slone, a widowed photographer whose career has been revitalized by a scandal, agrees to help a dying multimillionaire achieve a lasting reputation as a famous photographer. Thomas Adderly-Phillips is rechristened "Taps" and, with Slone's help, perpetrates a hoax on the world. Strong language. 2001.

A City of Bells RC 54388
by Elizabeth Goudge
read by David Cutler
2 cassettes
Mr. Jocelyn Irvin, a shell-shocked veteran of the Boer War, decides to leave home and move in with his grandfather, Canon Fordyce, in the English country town of Torminster. There he meets two orphans adopted by his grandparents and falls in love with an actress, Felicity Summers. 1936.

The Dearly Departed RC 54389
by Elinor Lipman
read by Susan McInerney
2 cassettes
In this social comedy, Sunny Batten returns to her dreaded New Hampshire hometown when her mother dies. At the funeral, she sees a look-alike who could be her half brother. Family secrets come to light, the village welcomes her back, and she falls in love: satire with a happy ending. Some strong language. 2001.

The Twilighters RC 54393
by Noel M. Loomis
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
In early nineteenth-century America, twilighters are the desperados and outlaws occupying a stretch of land on the Texas/Louisiana border—an area that unsuspecting newcomers have to cross. Violence. 1954.

Glass Houses RC 54397
by Stella Cameron
read by Annie Wauters
3 cassettes
Good cop Aiden Flynn snoops through his colleague's e-mails and finds a dangerous surprise. His discovery leads him on a wild journey to clear his own name

and that of the woman he is trying to protect. Explicit descriptions of sex and strong language. 2000.

The Boy in the Burning House RC 54398
by Tim Wynne-Jones
read by Steven Carpenter
1 cassette
Since his father disappeared, fourteen-year-old Jim Hawkins has helped his mother run their Canadian farm. When Ruth Rose, the disturbed stepdaughter of a powerful local pastor, claims that the minister killed Jim's father, Jim's investigation weaves a web of suspense. For junior and senior high readers. 2000.

First Lady RC 54400
by Michael Malone
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
A serial killer is loose in the college town of Hillston, North Carolina. Police chief Cuddy Mangum and his lieutenant, Justin Savile, must also contend with the trial of a professor accused of killing his wife and the arrival of an Irish rock star. Violence and strong language. 2001.

The Joyful Beggar: A Novel of St. Francis of Assisi RC 54405
by Louis de Wohl
read by David Cutler
2 cassettes
This fictionalized biography of Francis Bernardone, who would become Saint Francis of Assisi, details his thirteenth-century experiences as a young soldier, his acceptance of an extraordinary vocation, his remarkable generosity, and his journey from Italy to Egypt and back. 1958.

Fool's Coach RC 54408
by Richard S. Wheeler
read by Michael Russotto
2 cassettes
Idaho Territory, 1863. Accumulating money is easy in a gold-mining town; transporting it elsewhere is what's difficult because of the "road agents"—ruthless highwaymen. Trying to escape in a broken-down coach is a desperate and foolhardy venture. Spur Award. 1989.

Tom Clancy's Net Force: CyberNation RC 54415
by Steve Perry
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
2012. The World Wide Web has been taken hostage. CyberNation, a virtual community fighting to be recognized as a country, is considered the prime suspect by the FBI's Net Force. Sequel to *Tom Clancy's Net Force: Point of Impact (RC 54178)*. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 2001.

Kentucky Rich RC 54431
by Fern Michaels
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Nealy Coleman's brutal father forces her and her illegitimate child out of the house. She is adopted by the Diamonds, owners of a thoroughbred farm in Kentucky. Nealy becomes wealthy and successful over the decades and returns to her father's deathbed to confront him about the past. Some strong language. 2001.

Lost Nation RC 54434
by Jeffrey Lent
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
In 1838, hard-hearted trader Blood wins

Sally, a fifteen-year-old whore, at cards. Their relationship becomes more complex as they trek north to the New England/Canadian border and encounter Blood's sons. By the author of *In the Fall (RC 50270)*. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2002.

Confessions of a Shopaholic RC 54435
by Sophie Kinsella
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Young London journalist Rebecca Bloomwood loves to shop for clothes, makeup, shoes, and other trendy extravagances she can ill afford on her meager wages. Her banker is pressing her about her enormous overdue credit-card bill, but Becky just can't seem to control her shopping addiction. Some strong language. 2001.

The Center Cannot Hold: American Empire, Book 2 RC 54441
by Harry Turtledove
read by John Polk
5 cassettes
Sequel to *Blood and Iron (RC 54046)* continues Turtledove's alternate history of North America. In the 1920s, Jake Featherston works to rebuild the Confederate States of America. Socialists gain power in the adjoining United States, as unrest plagues occupied Canada and civil war consumes Mexico. And a new enemy attacks. Strong language. 2002.

Everything Is Illuminated RC 54448
by Jonathan Safran Foer
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
A young Jewish American—with the same name as the author and a faded photograph in hand—travels to Ukraine searching for the woman who may have saved his grandfather from the Nazis. His adventures are enhanced by local guides. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2002.

Breathing Room RC 54449
by Susan Elizabeth Phillips
read by Annie Wauters
3 cassettes
When self-help guru Dr. Isabel Favor loses her lover, her money, and her reputation, she retreats to a villa in Tuscany to recover. There she meets roguish Italian Lorenzo Gage—an actor who also happens to be her landlord. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2002.

Bones of the Earth RC 54453
by Michael Swanwick
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
Paleontologist Richard Leyster is happily ensconced in his Smithsonian office when a mysterious bureaucrat arrives, bearing both a job offer and an ice cooler containing a fresh stegosaurus head. Time travel to study live dinosaurs has many complications. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2002.

The Mulberry Tree RC 54457
by Jude Deveraux
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
When billionaire Jimmie Manville dies in a plane crash, his widow, Lillian, is shocked that he left his fortune to his despised siblings. Lillian receives only a Virginia farm and a cryptic note to find the truth. Lillian changes her identity, moves to the country, and starts over. Some strong language. Bestseller 2002.

The Remnant: On the Brink of Armageddon RC 54460
by Tim LaHaye and Jerry B. Jenkins
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Rayford Steele and most members of the Tribulation Force are massed together in Petra, where Nicolae Carpathia, the Antichrist, drops two bombs that no one can survive without a miracle. Yet many do survive. Now all pretense is gone as the planet hurtles toward Armageddon. Sequel to *Desecration (RC 53137)*. Bestseller 2002.

A Sorcerer's Treason: Isavalta, Volume 1 RC 54461
by Sarah Zettel
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
4 cassettes
Wisconsin's Lake Superior shore, 1899. Bridget Lederle, the tender of a lighthouse, foresees a shipwreck and then rescues its victim, Valin Kalami. As lord sorcerer to the dowager empress of Isavalta, he transports Bridget with her gift for visions to his world in order to save his beleaguered monarch. 2002.

On a Wild Night RC 54472
by Stephanie Laurens
read by Kristin Allison
3 cassettes
London, 1825. Twins Amanda and Amelia Cynster despair of ever finding husbands and decide to look in seamier places. Amanda meets Martin Fullbridge, an earl, at a gaming hall, and he reluctantly agrees to help. Sequel to *All about Passion (RC 53361)*. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2002.

The Promise in a Kiss: A Christmas Novel RC 54475
by Stephanie Laurens
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
1783. Helena recognizes Sebastian Cynster as the stranger with whom she shared an unforgettable kiss in Paris seven years ago. He now navigates her through London society to help her choose a husband. The passion between them points to a most unlikely match. Prequel to The Cynsters series. Descriptions of sex. 2001.

Cat on a Blue Monday RC 54476
by Carole Nelson Douglas
read by J.P. Linton
3 cassettes
Alley cat Midnight Louie and his owner, Temple Barr, investigate sabotage at the Las Vegas cat show. Meanwhile Temple's boyfriend, Matt Devine, looks into obscene phone calls to a deaf nun. 1994.

The Falls: An Inspector Rebus Novel RC 54477
by Ian Rankin
read by Graeme Malcolm
3 cassettes
Edinburgh's Detective Inspector John Rebus investigates the murder of wealthy coed Philippa Balfour. He follows the hard clues, while Constable Siobhan Clarke researches a computer role-playing game found on the victim's laptop. Rebus uncovers a serial killer before he is suspended for his unorthodox methods. Strong language and some violence. 2000.

Sackett RC 54481
by Louis L'Amour
read by Chuck Benson
1 cassette (Reissue)
William Tell Sackett, the oldest brother in the clan and a drifter, discovers a beautiful girl, a vein of gold in a valley, and all the problems that go with them. Sequel to *The Daybreakers (RC 36179)*. 1961.

The Magic of Ordinary Days RC 54503
by Ann Howard Creel
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
During the Second World War, Olivia, a pregnant graduate student, is married off by her preacher father to a stranger —a sugar beet farmer from southeast Colorado—to avoid a scandal. Olivia befriends two Japanese American sisters from a nearby internment camp, and she gradually learns to appreciate her shy, gentle husband. 2001.

The Ash Garden RC 54506
by Dennis Bock
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
1995. Scarred at Hiroshima, documentary filmmaker Emiko Amai interviews physicist Anton Böll, who had fled Germany for Los Alamos at the start of World War II. Böll, married to a Holocaust refugee, is in Hiroshima to assess the effects of the bomb he helped construct. The recollections of the three entwine. 2001.

Firebreak RC 54507
by Richard Stark
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Master criminal Parker joins a gang of former colleagues to take a load of already stolen art masterpieces from a computer billionaire's secret gallery in a Montana lodge. He also has to contend with a hired assassin trying to kill him. Violence and strong language. 2001.

I Do! RC 54511
by Olivia Rupprecht
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
As his last wish before dying, Sergeant Sol Standish marries his "Operation Dear Abby" pen pal over the telephone. Sol survives, and Mariah Garnet of Alabama is thrilled to move to Wisconsin to finally meet her husband. But she hasn't exactly been honest with him. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1992.

The Snow Goose RC 54514
by Paul Gallico
read by Janis Gray
1 cassette (Reissue)
A young Saxon girl brings a reclusive hunchbacked painter an injured Canada goose. Bonds of affection grow between the bird and Philip Rhayader and Fritha, linking them in Philip's heroic decision to rescue soldiers at Dunkirk during World War II. 1940.

Knocked Out by My Nunga-Nungas: Further, Further Confessions of Georgia Nicolson RC 54535
by Louise Rennison
read by Erin Jones
1 cassette
Georgia continues her journal entries following *On the Bright Side, I'm Now the Girlfriend of a Sex God (RC 52090)*. Her parents drag her on a vacation to Scotland. Then back home she sees two boys at the same time. For senior high readers. Bestseller 2001.

The Chuckling Fingers RC 54542
by Mabel Seeley
read by Colleen Delany
2 cassettes
Frightening events at their Lake Superior estate plague the Heatons, a wealthy lumber family. Ann Gay is concerned about her cousin Jacqueline, Bill Heaton's wife, and visits her at Fiddler's Fingers. Shortly after her arrival the reign of terror begins. Ann must figure out who is really to blame. 1941.

Good Harbor RC 54561
by Anita Diamant
read by Colleen Delany
2 cassettes
Two women, one fighting breast cancer and the other feeling isolated from her workaholic husband and teenage daughter, seek consolation and support in their friendship. As they spend the summer walking Good Harbor beach in Massachusetts, they share their personal histories and most guarded fears. 2001.

Whispers in the Dark RC 54562
by Eleanor Taylor Bland
read by Nanette Savard
2 cassettes
While African American police detective Marti MacAlister and her partner investigate the grisly deaths of artists in Lincoln Prairie, Illinois, her friend Sharon impulsively marries a con artist, leaves her daughter with Marti's blended family, and flies to the Bahamas. Some violence and some strong language. 2001.

This Bitter Earth RC 54563
by Bernice L. McFadden
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
In 1955, African American Sugar Lacey returns to Short Junction, Arkansas, to the home of the women who raised her. Dredging up the past proves dangerous as Sugar learns the truth about her parents and a family curse. Sequel to *Sugar (RC 53355)*. Strong language and some violence. 2002.

The Samurai's Garden RC 54565
by Gail Tsukiyama
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
In 1937, Japan is invading China. Seventeen-year-old Stephen Chan is sent from Hong Kong to a Japanese village to recover from tuberculosis. He becomes deeply engaged in the loves and losses of Matsu, whose wife has leprosy. Stephen discovers a troubling family secret and finds comfort in his companion's wisdom. 1994.

The Blue and the Gray Undercover RC 54569
edited by Ed Gorman
read by Robert Sams
3 cassettes
Short stories about Union and Confederate spies. In "Hobson's Choice," a captain from Tennessee hangs only one spouse after both were declared enemies. In "The Dead Line," an old man discovers his wife, a Confederate spy who betrayed him, alive almost fifty years later. Some violence and some strong language. 2001.

The Deadhouse RC 54572
by Linda Fairstein
read by Faith Potts
3 cassettes
New York D.A. Alexandra Cooper, last seen in *Cold Hit (RC 49301)*, investigates the death of an anthropology professor being stalked by her ex-husband. New suspects emerge as Alex learns more about the woman's colleagues and

her interest in the ruins of a former island prison. Violence and strong language. 2001.

Romancing Mister Bridgerton RC 54583
by Julia Quinn
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
1824. All of London wants to know the identity of columnist Lady Whistledown, including Colin Bridgerton, a frequent subject of her columns. Returning from abroad, Colin finds himself attracted to Penelope Featherington, the girl who was always simply there. But will her secret change his feelings? Some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2002.

Any Two Can Play RC 54591
by Elizabeth Cadell
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Natalie Travers, an attractive young Englishwoman, rescues her brother and his year-old twins from domestic chaos when his wife leaves him. Single and independent, Natalie unexpectedly falls in love with Henry Downing, scion of the town's founding family. 1981.

The Iron Hand of Mars: A Marcus Didius Falco Mystery Novel RC 54594
by Lindsey Davis
read by George Holmes
2 cassettes
Roman private detective Marcus Didius is sent by the emperor Vespasian to Germany in A.D. 71 to rescue a legate from the barbarians. The sleuth is joined by his lover, Helena, and her brother, Camillus. The trio encounters a powerful druid sorceress, scandals, and intrigue. Follows *Venus in Copper (RC 35777)*. 1992.

A Murder of Quality RC 54597
by John Le Carré
read by John Horton
1 cassette
George Smiley investigates the murder of Stella Rode, a schoolmaster's wife, at the request of his old friend, editor Ailsa Brimley. Some strong language. 1962.

Midnight Runner RC 54599
by Jack Higgins
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Kate Rashid, the Countess of Loch Dhu, seeks revenge for the elimination of her three terrorist brothers. American president Jake Cazalet and Senator Daniel Quinn, her main targets, have enlisted former IRA gunman Sean Dillon for protection. Sequel to *Edge of Danger (RC 51559)*. Violence and strong language. 2002.

The Last Continent: A Discworld Novel RC 54601
by Terry Pratchett
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
Rincewind—an inept and cowardly wizard—arrives in Fourecks, distorting the space-time continuum. If the problem is unsolved, the rainless world will dry up and blow away. But Rincewind decides against correcting the error and flees. He encounters the faculty of Unseen University, the Peach Butt, and the Meat Pie Floater. 1998.

A Diet to Die For: A Claire Malloy Mystery RC 54608
by Joan Hess
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Claire Malloy, bookstore proprietor, assists overweight heiress Maribeth Galle-

ston in her attempt to lose weight. But when Maribeth starts acting strange and accidentally kills an employee at the local gym, Claire investigates. 1989.

The Importance of Being Ernestine: An Ellie Haskell Mystery RC 54645
by Dorothy Cannell
read by Vanessa Maroney
2 cassettes
Lady Krumley has a family curse. Ellie Haskell and Roxie Malloy, posing as private detectives, agree to break it. Their task entails finding Ernestine, daughter of their elderly employer's former maid. Lady Krumley had mistreated the maid and seeks to make amends to the daughter—now forty years old. 2002.

Trust Fund Babies RC 54646
by Jean Stone
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
The three Atkinson cousins, Mary Beth, Nikki, and Gabrielle, are victims of a family lawyer who has run off with the fortunes they inherited. Estranged for years, the women must now reunite and confront the scandal that drove them apart. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2002.

Eva Moves the Furniture RC 54648
by Margot Livesey
read by Corrie James
2 cassettes
Eva McEwen grows up in a small Scottish town with her father and his sister, because her mother died at Eva's birth in 1920. Two other companions—a woman and a girl who never age—show up unpredictably and guide many of her decisions, especially regarding her suitors. 2001.

Lady's Man RC 54650
by Suzanne Simmons
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
Prim and proper Georgiana Burne-Jones, a butler at an exclusive resort in Arizona, witnesses her client's murder. In her haste to escape, she rushes into the suite of Coleman Worth, a self-made millionaire. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1999.

The Apothecary Rose RC 54661
by Candace M. Robb
read by Vanessa Maroney
3 cassettes
England, 1363. Medieval sleuth Owen Archer must go undercover at the apothecary. Commanded by the archbishop to investigate the mysterious poisoning of two pilgrims at an abbey in York, Archer must determine who concocted the fatal elixir. Some violence. 1993.

Put a Lid on It RC 54674
by Donald E. Westlake
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
Francis Xavier Meehan is in prison, denied bail, for a bungled mail truck hijacking. As he awaits sentencing, an official from the president's reelection campaign offers him a pardon. All Meehan has to do is steal an incriminating videotape from a fortified opposition stronghold in rural New England. Some strong language. 2002.

This Rock RC 54679
by Robert Morgan
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
1920s Appalachia. Muir is the favored, ambitious brother; Moody is the older,

wilder of the two. Conflicts arise as Moody grows dangerously rebellious while Muir devotes himself to a spiritual vocation. Ginny, their mother, fears for the future of both boys as she grieves for her dead husband. 2001.

What Became of Her RC 54690
by M.E. Kerr
read by John Polk
1 cassette
Widowed, wealthy Rosalind Slaymaster returns to her small hometown with her constant companion, Peale, a mannequin. Meanwhile E.C.—a friend of her teenaged niece Julie—discovers Rosalind's old diary. He learns how some of the townspeople humiliated her and of Rosalind's plan to seek revenge. For junior and senior high readers. 2000.

The King of Torts RC 55167
by John Grisham
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
Public defender Clay Carter assumes it is just another Washington, D.C., murder case when the defense of Tequila Watson is thrust into his hands. But Carter's investigation into Watson's drug abuse and subsequent rehabilitation uncovers corruption at a major pharmaceutical company. Some strong language. Bestseller 2003.

Books for Children

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including animals, geography, nature, mystery, sports, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Cassettes Nonfiction

The Story of Thanksgiving RC 53181
by Robert Merrill Bartlett
read by Mimi Bederman
1 cassette
Traces the history and customs of Thanksgiving, from the harvest festivals of the ancient world to American traditions in the twenty-first century. Tells how the Pilgrims spent their first few years in the New World and describes their thanksgiving celebrations with the Wampanoag Indians. For grades 2-4. 2001.

Shakespeare: His Work and His World RC 53972
by Michael Rosen
read by Jennifer Mendenhall
1 cassette
Explains the universal appeal of William Shakespeare (1564–1616), playwright, poet, and master writer of the English language. Uses quotations from his work to discuss some of his dramas and the extraordinary and dangerous times in which he lived. Includes a time line. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2001.

Career Ideas for Kids Who Like Music and Dance RC 53993
by Diane Lindsey Reeves
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Advice on pursuing careers in the arts for kids who want to concentrate on their creative bent. Includes profiles of a choir director, costume designer, dance instructor, sound engineer, disc jockey, and other similar occupations. For grades 5-8. 2001.

Shinto RC 54278
by Paula R. Hartz
read by Robert Blumenfeld
1 cassette
Discusses the history of the Shinto religion in Japan, describing its origins, basic beliefs, rituals, festivals, and its place in Japanese society. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1997.

All about American Holidays RC 54392
by Maymie R. Krythe
read by Andrea Maida
2 cassettes
Describes over fifty of the main Christian and Jewish holy days as well as secular holidays that are observed between New Year's Day and Christmas. Provides information on how the festivities are celebrated and their historical background. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 1962.

Spare Parts: From Peg Legs to Gene Splices RC 54412
by Wendy B. Murphy
read by Vanessa Maroney
1 cassette
Historical overview of replacing damaged or missing parts of the human body with artificial limbs, computer-engineered prosthetics, and organ transplants. Includes some bizarre past experiments and discusses ethical and social dilemmas arising from genetic engineering. For grades 6-9. 2001.

Israel RC 54468
by Jen Green
read by Ralph Lowenstein
1 cassette
Describes the land and people of Israel including its modern development, historical background, natural environment, religions, government, and economy. For grades 5-8. 2001.

Saudi Arabia RC 54469
by Dynise Balcavage
read by Yolande Bavan
1 cassette
Overview of the Middle Eastern country of Saudi Arabia, the "birthplace of Islam." Describes its geography, history, people, government, and relations with the United States. For grades 5-8. 2001.

We Were There, Too! Young People in U.S. History RC 54504
by Phillip Hoose
read by Janis Gray
3 cassettes
Biographies of dozens of young people who made a mark in American history between 1492 and the 1990s. Includes explorers, planters, sailors, spies, cowpunchers, soldiers, sweatshop workers, and civil rights activists. For grades 6-9 and older readers. National Book Award Finalist. 2001.

Creative Crafts for Critters RC 54515
by Nancy Furstinger
read by Patricia McDermott
1 cassette
Twenty-two things to make for pets—finned, furred, or feathered. Projects include personalized pet collar, massage mitt, snacks, toys, and a goldfish garden. All are made from inexpensive and

easy-to-find materials. For grades 3-6. 2000.

The Kids Winter Handbook RC 54517
by Jane Drake and Ann Love
read by Patricia McDermott
1 cassette
Outdoor and indoor activities to celebrate winter. Covers weather forecasting, snow sports, crafts projects (most call for inexpensive, easy-to-find materials), games, fireside stories, and recipes. Parental involvement is encouraged. For grades 3-6. 2001.

I'm Tougher than Diabetes! RC 54548
by Alden R. Carter
read by Margaret Strom
1 cassette
Natalie explains her disorder—diabetes—and what she must do every day to keep her blood sugar at a safe level. She tells how her parents and sister help her and how supportive her classmates are. Includes a section of frequently asked questions and answers on diabetes. For grades 3-6. 2001.

Gun Control: The Pros and Cons RC 54558
by Tom Streissguth
read by Jacinda Bronaugh
1 cassette
Presents the controversy about gun control laws in the United States including the history behind the U.S. Constitution's Second Amendment. Discusses the position of the National Rifle Association and its opponents. For grades 6-9. 2001.

Floods RC 54574
by Emma Durham and Mark Maslin
read by Bob Moore
1 cassette
Explains why floods happen and the difference between river and coastal floods. Discusses flood disasters and the benefits that occur from flooding in some areas. Examines flood prediction including the impact of global warming and El Niño. For grades 4-7. 2000.

Chocolate: Riches from the Rainforest RC 54575
by Robert Burleigh
read by Andrea Maida
1 cassette
Traces the history of chocolate from the seeds of the cacao tree to chocolate bars. Explains how the Olmec and Maya of Central America prepared chocolate as a drink, its popularity in Europe, and modern production methods. For grades 4-7. 2002.

Helen Keller: Rebellious Spirit RC 54590
by Laurie Lawlor
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
Biography of the blind and deaf girl whose spirit knew no limitations. Discusses Keller's achievements in the context of the social expectations for women and people with disabilities in the early twentieth century. Describes her disappointments and frustrations as well as her accomplishments. For grades 5-8. 2001.

Kindness: A Treasury of Buddhist Wisdom for Children and Parents RC 54651
compiled by Sarah Conover
read by Anne Flosnik
1 cassette
Collection of thirty-two stories and sayings about the Buddha and his teachings. This broad selection of anecdotes and Jataka fables are mainly from India, Japan, and Tibet. They convey some of the spiritual values of this

twenty-five-hundred-year-old religion. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 2001.

Mohandas K. Gandhi RC 54653
by Charles J. Shields
read by Anne Flosnik
1 cassette
Biography of the twentieth-century Indian civil rights leader and pacifist. Covers his childhood under British rule, his law studies in London, his work in South Africa, and his role in establishing India as an independent nation. Discusses how he implemented his philosophy and his convictions. For grades 6-9. 2002.

Ha! Ha! Ha! One Thousand Plus Jokes, Riddles, Facts, and More RC 54688
by Lyn Thomas
read by Barry Bernson
1 cassette
A collection of humorous bits and pieces arranged by theme—the brain, computers, animals, sea creatures, and knock-knock jokes, among others. Interesting facts about humor and the subjects of the jokes are also included. For grades 3-6. 2001.

9.11.01: Terrorists Attack the U.S. RC 54689
by Patrick Lalley
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
Describes the horror of the September 11, 2001, attack on the World Trade Center and the events leading up to it. Discusses the history of the New York City landmark, extremist Islamic fundamentalism, and America's reactions to terrorism. For grades 4-7. 2002.

The Code Book: How to Make It, Break It, Hack It, Crack It RC 54749
by Simon Singh
read by Peter Johnson
2 cassettes
Discusses the evolution of codes and their impact on history. Explains the growing importance of encryption—the process of encoding messages—in the expanding use of the Internet and satellite communications. A condensed version of *The Code Book (RC 49955)* for adults. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2001.

Cassettes Fiction

Stick and Whittle RC 51872
by Sid Hite
read by Gary Roan
1 cassette
Texas, 1872. Melvin "Stick" Fitchett, a Civil War veteran, runs into sixteen-year-old Melvin "Whittle" Smyte on the lonesome prairie. The two become partners while Stick searches for his long-lost sweetheart, Evelyn. When they find out that she has been kidnapped, they ride to the rescue. For grades 6-9. 2000.

Dinosaurs before Dark: Magic Tree House, Book 1 RC 52354
by Mary Pope Osborne
read by Gillian Green
1 cassette
Eight-and-a-half-year-old Jack and his seven-year-old sister Annie find a magic tree house in the woods near their home. Climbing inside, they are whisked back to the prehistoric time of dinosaurs. But how will they return to their own time? For grades 2-4. 1992.

The Knight at Dawn: Magic Tree House, Book 2 RC 52355
by Mary Pope Osborne
read by Gillian Green
1 cassette
Returning to the magic tree house, Annie and her older brother Jack travel back to the Middle Ages. They explore a castle, escape from a dungeon, and are helped by a mysterious knight. For grades 2-4. 1993.

Pirates past Noon: Magic Tree House, Book 4 RC 52357
by Mary Pope Osborne
read by Gillian Green
1 cassette
On a cold, rainy day in the magic tree house, Annie spies a book open to a picture of a sunny beach scene. Annie and her older brother Jack are transported to the days of deserted islands, secret maps, hidden treasure, and nasty pirates. For grades 2-4. 1994.

Dancing in Cadillac Light RC 53186
by Kimberly Willis Holt
read by Mimi Bederman
1 cassette
Moon, Texas; 1968. Eleven-year-old tomboy Jaynell is put in charge of her grandfather for the summer. They have a good time cruising in an old Cadillac until Grandpap gives his old house to a large, struggling family. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 2001.

It's Justin Time, Amber Brown RC 53192
by Paula Danziger
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
Amber is so into telling time that she desperately wants a watch on her seventh birthday. But her best friend, Justin, has absolutely no regard for keeping time. Though his perpetual tardiness makes her upset, Amber soon realizes that friends can overcome their differences. For grades 2-4. 2001.

Little Women Next Door RC 53194
by Sheila Solomon Klass
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
When stuttering eleven-year-old Susan makes friends with future author Louisa May Alcott and her family, she blossoms. While the Alcotts and others attempt to establish a utopian farming community known as Fruitlands, Susan forges a better relationship with her stern father and loses her stutter. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2000.

The Fledgling RC 53197
by Jane Langton
read by Mimi Bederman
1 cassette
Georgie's fondest wish is to be able to fly. When she meets a Canada goose, the Goose Prince, the girl's dream comes true for a while. For grades 3-6. Newbery Honor. 1980.

Heaven Eyes RC 53280
by David Almond
read by Peg Gilleland
1 cassette
Erin Law recounts her adventures with friends January Carr and Mouse Gullane when they run away from Whitegates orphanage, rafting downriver to the Black Middens where magical possibilities abound. There they meet Heaven Eyes, an unusual girl, and the old man she calls Grampa. For grades 5-8. 2000.

The Land RC 53538
by Mildred D. Taylor
read by Bob Moore
3 cassettes
Mississippi, post-Civil War. Paul-Edward, the son of a white plantation owner and a slave of African-Indian heritage, follows his dream of owning his own land through hard work and determination. Prequel to *Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry (RC 50326)*, the story of Paul-Edward's granddaughter, Cassie Logan. For grades 6-9. 2001.

A Pebble and a Pen RC 53632
by Joan Donaldson
read by Carolyn Hecker
1 cassette
When Matty graduates from the eighth grade in 1853, her mother wants her to marry a farmer with seven children. So Matty runs away to join Mr. Spencer's penmanship school, and finds many challenges to becoming a female penman. For grades 5-8. 2000.

Caleb's Story RC 53941
by Patricia MacLachlan
read by Barbara Rappaport
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Sarah, Plain and Tall (RC 23524)*, Caleb's discovery of an old man in the barn becomes a family problem. Although Caleb, his sister Cassie, and Sarah welcome him as a long-lost grandfather, Jacob remembers the pain of the past. For grades 3-6. 2001.

Iris and Walter RC 53967
by Elissa Haden Guest
read by Susan McInerney
1 cassette
When Iris and her family move to the country, Iris misses her city neighborhood. Then she meets a kid named Walter who shows her things to do in the country, so they become friends. Easy chapter book. For grades K-3. 2000.

Iris and Walter, True Friends RC 53968
by Elissa Haden Guest
read by Susan McInerney
1 cassette
Walter shows Iris how to make friends with his horse, Rain. In turn, Iris helps Walter with a problem at school, because that's what true friends do. Easy chapter book. Sequel to *Iris and Walter (RC 53967)*. For grades K-3. 2001.

The Night Iguana Left Home RC 53970
by Megan McDonald
read by Kimberly Schraf
1 cassette
Although her friend Alison Frogley provides her with a heating pad, a free library card, and an anchovy pizza, Iguana feels that something is missing in her life in Schenectady, New York. But when she runs away to Florida, she learns there is more to life than a sunny beach! For grades K-3. 1999.

Great Expectations RC 53991
by Charles Dickens
read by Graeme Malcolm
3 cassettes (Reissue)
An encounter with a convict in a cemetery will have long-term consequences for Pip, a poor orphan boy. But before he grasps their full significance, he is to live with the strange spinster Miss Havisham, to be tormented by her ward Estella, and to move to London. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1861.

Isabel: Jewel of Castilla RC 54004
by Carolyn Meyer
read by Gabriella Cavallero
1 cassette
Isabel, the future queen of Spain, begins her diary in 1466 while waiting anx-

iously for others to choose a husband for her. She chronicles three years of her experiences as a member of the royal family. For grades 5-8. 2000.

Coyote Autumn RC 54134
by Bill Wallace
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
After moving from Chicago to rural Oklahoma, Brad has many new experiences. He hides an orphaned coyote in an old pen behind the barn, planning to tame him. But Brad has a lot to learn about wild animals. For grades 4-7. 2000.

Walker's Crossing RC 54197
by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
When his older brother, Gil, enlists in the Mountain Patriots Association—a local militia with anti-Semitic beliefs—seventh-grader Ryan begins to question the political rhetoric he's grown up with on a Wyoming ranch. Ryan is torn between his dislike of bigotry and hatred and his loyalty to his brother. For grades 6-9. 1999.

The Tiger Rising RC 54216
by Kate DiCamillo
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Sixth-grader Rob Horton and classmate Sistine Bailey, the new and unhappy kids in a small Florida town, discover a real live tiger in a cage near Rob's home. They struggle over its fate as well as their own. For grades 4-7. 2001.

The Ghost and Mrs. Hobbs RC 54219
by Cynthia DeFelice
read by Erin Jones
1 cassette
Hindered by a fight with her friend Dub and a series of mysterious fires, eleven-year-old Allie investigates a fire from seventeen years ago. Allie seeks a connection between a handsome youth's ghost asking for help and a cafeteria worker, Mrs. Hobbs. Sequel to *The Ghost of Fossil Glen (RC 47637)*. For grades 4-7. 2001.

Clem's Chances RC 54232
by Sonia Levitin
read by Terence Aselford
2 cassettes
As tension mounts between the North and the South in 1860, fourteen-year-old Clem Fontayne journeys from Missouri to California in search of his father. His encounters with fellow travelers acquaint him with topics of the times: the Mormon migration, slavery, and the Pony Express. For grades 5-8. 2001.

Trino's Time RC 54265
by Diane Gonzales Bertrand
read by Peter Jay Fernandez
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Trino's Choice (RC 50827)*, thirteen-year-old Trino is recovering from a friend's death in a robbery, in which he had almost joined. He works to help his mother support the family and discovers that he can succeed in school. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2001.

The Revenge of Randal Reese-Rat
RC 54271
by Tor Seidler
read by Yolande Bavan
1 cassette
Musically talented Maggie Mad-Rat leaves her home in Africa to attend her cousin Montague's marriage to Isabel in New York City. There she meets family and makes new friends, including the unique Randal Reese-Rat, Isabel's former love. Sequel to *A Rat's Tale (RC 26442)*. For grades 4-7. 2001.

Miss Nelson Is Missing! RC 54287
by Harry Allard
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
The kids in room 207 giggle, throw spitballs, and are rude to their good-natured teacher, Miss Nelson. When she disappears, the worst-behaved kids in school face a mean substitute, Miss Viola Swamp. For grades K-3. 1977.

Miss Nelson Is Back RC 54288
by Harry Allard
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
When their teacher, Miss Nelson, has to go away for a week, the students in room 207 plan to really act up. Sequel to *Miss Nelson Is Missing! (RC 54287)*. For grades K-3. 1982.

Farewell, My Lunchbag: From the Tattered Casebook of Chet Gecko, Private Eye RC 54319
by Bruce Hale
read by Lee Look
1 cassette
When fourth-grade private eye Chet Gecko is called to catch someone who is stealing food from the school cafeteria, the lizard finds himself framed for the crime. For grades 3-6. 2001.

Artemis Fowl: The Arctic Incident
RC 54323
by Eoin Colfer
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Artemis Fowl (RC 52289)*, thirteen-year-old Artemis turns his attention to rescuing his long-missing father from the Russian Mafiya. In the process, he again encounters elf police captain Holly Short. This time the two join forces. Some violence. For grades 5-8. 2002.

The Million Dollar Kick RC 54365
by Dan Gutman
read by MaryBeth Wise
1 cassette
Thirteen-year-old Whisper Nelson hates soccer, but she has won a slogan contest that now requires her to kick a goal past a star player in front of the whole town. The prize is a million dollars. Self-styled computer nerd Jesse and Whisper's mentor come to her aid. For grades 5-8. 2001.

The Other Side of Truth RC 54378
by Beverley Naidoo
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes
Nigeria, 1995. When Sade's journalist father becomes a political target and her mother is murdered, Sade and her younger brother, Femi, are smuggled to London for safety. They become stranded there, alone and without a family, desperately worried about their father's situation. Some violence. For grades 5-8. Carnegie Medal. 2000.

How I Became an American RC 54381
by Karin Gündisch
read by Mark Ashby
1 cassette
Johann Bonfert records the 1902 jour-

ney of his German family from Austria-Hungary to Youngstown, Ohio. Describes the hardships of their immigration and the difficulties of adjusting to American culture. For grades 4-7. Batchelder Award. 2001.

Belle Teal RC 54382
by Ann M. Martin
read by Nanette Savard
1 cassette
In 1962, Belle Teal Harper is happy to be in Miss Casey's fifth-grade class in a recently integrated school. Among the challenges facing Belle Teal are her grandmother's failing memory and welcoming two new students—Darryl, a shy African American, and Vanessa, a show-off white girl. Some strong language. For grades 4-7. 2001.

***The Wonderful Sky Boat* and Other Native American Tales of the Southeast RC 54394**
retold by Jane Louise Curry
read by Annie Wauters
1 cassette
Collection of twenty-seven stories from the Catawba, Cherokee, Choctaw, and Seminole tribes, among others, retold in modern English. A Hitchiti tale, "Heron and Hummingbird," explains why hummingbirds drink nectar rather than water. Includes notes about the original storytellers and their languages. For grades 4-7. 2001.

Lord of the Deep RC 54410
by Graham Salisbury
read by Gregory Gorton
1 cassette
Thirteen-year-old Mikey is proud to be a deckhand for his stepfather's charter fishing boat in Hawaii. He enjoys the adventure of the fishing expeditions but finds that some clients are difficult to handle, especially if they won't follow the rules. Some violence. For grades 5-8. 2001.

The Phantom Menace: Star Wars, Episode I RC 54479
by Patricia C. Wrede
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Jedi knight Qui-Gon Jinn and his apprentice Obi-Wan Kenobi are responsible for Queen Amidala's safety. Their mission takes them to Tatooine, where they meet the young slave Anakin Skywalker, who dreams of becoming a Jedi knight. Based on George Lucas's screenplay. For grades 4-7. 1999.

Attack of the Clones: Star Wars, Episode II RC 54480
by Patricia C. Wrede
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
In this sequel to *The Phantom Menace (RC 54479)*, Padmé Amidala is now a senator committed to peace but under attack. Jedi knight Obi-Wan Kenobi and his apprentice Anakin Skywalker are sent to protect her, and a forbidden love begins. Based on George Lucas's screenplay. For grades 4-7. 2002.

Money Hungry RC 54516
by Sharon G. Flake
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
Thirteen-year-old Raspberry Hill is obsessed with making money so that she and her mother never have to worry about being homeless again, even though living in the projects is bad enough. For grades 6-9. Coretta Scott King Honor Book. 2001.

Wild Willie and King Kyle Detectives: A Wild Willie Mystery RC 54524
by Barbara M. Joosse
read by John Polk
1 cassette
Best friends and neighbors Willie and Kyle are upset when Kyle has to move to Ohio but cheer up when they play detective agency. Their first case has Willie spying on the girl who moves into Kyle's old house. For grades 2-4. 1993.

The Beloved Dearly RC 54554
by Doug Cooney
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
Ernie, a twelve-year-old tycoon, makes a tidy profit in the pet funeral business. When he refuses to give a raise to his star employee, a tomboy named Swimming Pool, the enterprise starts falling apart. It takes the death of Ernie's own dog to bring everyone back together. For grades 4-7. 2002.

Crossing Jordan RC 54577
by Adrian Fogelin
read by Colleen Delany
1 cassette
Twelve-year-old Cass of Tallahassee, Florida, meets her new African American neighbor, Jemmie. Despite their families' prejudices, they build a strong friendship around shared enthusiasms for running and reading. For grades 5-8. 2000.

Holding Up the Earth RC 54579
by Dianne E. Gray
read by Annie Wauters
1 cassette
Fourteen-year-old orphan Hope, spending the summer on a Nebraska farm with Sarah, her latest foster mother, reads family documents left by four previous generations of teens: Abigail, the first homesteader; Rebecca, a hired girl; Sarah's mother, Anna; and Sarah. For grades 5-8. 2000.

Old People, Frogs, and Albert RC 54588
by Nancy Hope Wilson
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Fourth-grader Albert loves frogs, and in an unexpected way they help him overcome his two biggest fears: reading and the old people at the Pine Manor Nursing Home near his school. For grades 2-4. 1997.

Mr. Putter and Tabby Feed the Fish RC 54595
by Cynthia Rylant
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
After Mr. Putter buys three goldfish and takes them home, he discovers that his cat, Tabby, has a serious problem with them. A beginning chapter book. For grades K-3. 2001.

Gloria Rising RC 54652
by Ann Cameron
read by Margaret Strom
1 cassette
The sequel to *Gloria's Way (RC 50553)* starts in a supermarket where fourth-grader Gloria meets Dr. Grace Street, a famous astronaut who encourages her to believe in herself. Gloria finds it hard to apply this advice as she copes with a difficult teacher and a class bully. For grades 2-4. 2002.

The Perfect Piñata / La Piñata Perfecta RC 54753
by Kelli Kyle Dominguez
read by María Pino
1 cassette
Marisa picks out a butterfly piñata for her sixth birthday one week away. But

the day of her party, she doesn't want to break her butterfly. Fortunately her parents have a good solution. In English and Spanish. For grades K-3. (La semana que viene Marisa cumple seis años, y para su cumpleaños escoge una piñata en forma de mariposa. Pero al llegar el día de la fiesta, Marisa no quiere romper su mariposa. Afortunadamente, los padres de Marisa tienen otro remedio. En inglés y español. Para grados K a 3.) 2002.

Gus and Grandpa at Basketball
RC 54883
by Claudia Mills
read by Christopher Walker
1 cassette
Gus enjoys basketball practice, but the noise from the crowd and fast pace of real games bother him, and he doesn't play well. Then his game improves when grandpa gives him some good advice. Beginning chapter book. For grades K-3. 2001.

Gus and Grandpa at the Hospital
RC 54884
by Claudia Mills
read by Christopher Walker
1 cassette
When Grandpa is in the hospital recovering from a heart attack, Gus worries about visiting him there. Gradually, Gus learns how to help Grandpa do things in his room and finally feels comfortable at the hospital. But the best part is taking Grandpa home. Beginning chapter book. For grades K-3. 1998.

Marvin Redpost: Class President
RC 54889
by Louis Sachar
read by Christopher Walker
1 cassette
This Wednesday at Marvin's school everyone has to wear clothes with holes. But Marvin and his third grade class didn't expect a surprise visitor—the president of the United States. For grades 2-4. 1999.

Foreign Language Books

The following cassette titles are available in the languages designated.

Spanish

La Milla Verde (The Green Mile)
RC 52986
por Stephen King
leído por Juan Ramírez
3 cassettes
El carcelero Paul Edgecombe ha visto muchas cosas extrañas trabajando con los asesinos convictos de la "Milla Verde" que esperan su cita con la silla eléctrica. Y no había convicto más extraño que John Coffey, condenado en 1932 por la violación y muerte de dos niñas gemelas de nueve años. Y Edgecombe está a punto de descubrir una verdad aun más terrible y espantosa acera de John Coffey. Contiene descripciones de violencia y lenguaje injurioso. (Penitentiary death-row supervisor Paul Edgecombe thinks back to 1932 when John Coffey, convicted of raping and murdering twin nine-year-old girls, was placed on the "Green Mile" to await the electric chair. Edgecombe gradually realized that Coffey was an unusual human being. Violence and strong language.) 1997.

Mitford, Esta Es Su Casa (At Home in Mitford) RC 52993
por Jan Karon
leído por María Pino
4 cassettes
Después de mucho tiempo el Padre Tim piensa que necesita dejar el idílico pueblecito meridional de Mitford y mudarse a otro lugar. Pero recibe una carta del obispo diciéndole que quede en Mitford un año más por lo menos. Entonces la vida empieza a complicarse para él. Conoce a su nueva y atractiva vecina, Cynthia, y también recibe los afectos de un gran perro, Bernabé, que le sigue a su casa y no está dispuesto a marcharse. (After years as a priest in the Southern village of Mitford, Father Tim wonders if he should move on. When one day a letter from the bishop tells him to "hang in there...give it a year," things begin to change, including an interest in his neighbor, Cynthia, and the arrival of Barnabas, a rather large dog.) 1994.

¡Celebremos! Las Fiestas de México, Cuba, y Puerto Rico, y Su Vigencia en los Estados Unidos (Let's Celebrate! The Holidays of Mexico, Cuba, and Puerto Rico, and Their Celebration in the United States) RC 52994
por Valerie Menard
leído por María Pino
1 cassette
Explica las quince fiestas hispánicas más populares que se celebran en los Estados Unidos. Incluye fiestas de las cuatro estaciones como La Navidad y Las Pascuas; las fiestas culturales como El Cinco de Mayo, El Día de la Raza y El Día de los Muertos; y las fiestas religiosas como La Virgen de Guadalupe. (Explains the fifteen most popular holidays celebrated by Hispanics in the United States. Includes seasonal celebrations such as Easter and Christmas; cultural festivals such as Cinco de Mayo, Día de la Raza, and Día de los Muertos; and holy days such as the feast of the Virgin of Guadalupe.) 2002.

Misery RC 52995
por Stephen King
leído por Juan Ramírez
3 cassettes
Paul Sheldon, un novelista de gran éxito, se despierta endrogado y el prisonero de Annie Wilkes, una enfermera desequilibrada, quien es su admiradora número uno. Ella le obliga a escribir otro novela para resusitar a Misery Chastain, su carácter favorito. Contiene lenguaje injurioso, violencia y descripciones de índole sexual. (Bestselling author Paul Sheldon awakens drugged, in pain, and the prisoner of unbalanced ex-nurse Annie Wilkes, who claims to be his number one fan. She forces Sheldon to write a new novel resurrecting her favorite character, Misery Chastain. Explicit descriptions of sex, violence, and some strong language.) 1987.

Negocios (Drown) RC 52996
por Junot Díaz
leído por Juan Ramírez
2 cassettes
Presenta diez cuentos sobre las vidas duras de latinos jóvenes, desde los pueblos y parajes polvorientos de la República Dominicana hasta los barrios industriales de New Jersey. En "Aurora," un narcotraficante insignificante sueña con escapar sus aprietos y encontrar una vida mejor. Contiene lenguaje injurioso, violencia y descripciones de índole sexual. (Stories depicting the hardscrabble lives of young Latino men

in settings ranging from the streets of the Dominican Republic to New Jersey's urban slums. In "Aurora," a small-time drug dealer dreams of escaping his plight and finding acceptance and a stable life. Descriptions of sex, violence, and strong language.) 1997.

Chocolate para el Corazón de la Mujer: Setenta y Siete Relatos de Amor, Bondad, y Compasión para Nutrir Su Alma y Endulzar Sus Sueños (Chocolate for the Woman's Soul: Seventy-Seven Stories of Love, Charity, and Compassion to Nourish Your Soul and Sweeten Your Dreams) RC 52997

por Kay Allenbaugh
leído por María Pino
2 cassettes

Presenta una coleción de ensayos cordiales con una gran variedad de escritoras, incluyendo pastoras, conferencistas, autores de éxito y madres. Los temas pasan de la intervención divina a encontrar el amor y triunfar a la depresión. (Collection of essays for women's solace by a wide variety of female contributors, including ministers, professional speakers, novelists, and mothers. Topics range from divine intervention to falling in love to overcoming depression.) 1998.

LaPiñata Perfecta / The Perfect Piñata RC 54753

por Kelli Kyle Dominguez
leído por Maria Pino
1 cassette

La semana que viene Marisa cumple seis años, y para su cumpleaños escoge una piñata en forma de mariposa. Pero al llegar el día de la fiesta, Marisa no quiere romper su mariposa. Afortunadamente, los padres de Marisa tienen otro remedio. En inglés y español. Para grados K a 3. (Marisa picks out a butterfly piñata for her sixth birthday one week away. But the day of her party, she doesn't want to break her butterfly. Fortunately her parents have a good solution. In English and Spanish. For grades K-3.) 2002.

Magazines on Cassette

For a free subscription to these magazines, contact your cooperating library.

American Heritage (8 issues)

Analog Science Fiction and Fact (11 issues)

Asimov's Science Fiction (11 issues)

The Atlantic Monthly (11 issues; combined issue July–August)

Das Beste aus *Reader's Digest* (German; 12 issues)

Bon Appétit (monthly)

Buenhogar (Spanish; monthly)

Choice Magazine Listening (on loan from cooperating libraries; bimonthly)

Consumer Reports (monthly)

Contemporary Sound Track: A Review of Pop, Jazz, Rock, and Country (bimonthly)

Cricket (for children, on one cassette with **National Geographic World**, monthly)

Diabetes Forecast (monthly)

Discover (monthly)

Ebony (monthly)

Ellery Queen's Mystery Magazine (11 issues)

Foreign Affairs (6 issues)

Good Housekeeping (monthly plus special issues)

Health and Nutrition Newsletters (includes **Dr. Andrew Weil's Self Healing, The Johns Hopkins Medical Letter—Health after Fifty, Mayo Clinic Health Letter,** and **Nutrition Action Healthletter,** monthly)

Horticulture (6 issues)

Journal Français (French; monthly)

Magazine of the Month (monthly)

Money (monthly plus special issues)

The Musical Mainstream (quarterly)

The Nation (47 issues)

National Geographic (monthly)

National Geographic World (for children and teens, on one cassette with **Cricket,** monthly)

National Review (25 issues)

The *New York Times* Book Review (weekly)

Outdoor Life (10 issues; combined issues June–July, December–January)

People Weekly (weekly plus special issues)

QST (monthly)

Quarterly Music Magazine (quarterly)

Selecciones del *Reader's Digest* (Spanish; monthly)

Sélections du *Reader's Digest* (French; monthly)

Smart Computing (monthly)

Sound & Vision (10 issues)

Spider: The Magazine for Children (monthly)

Sports Illustrated (weekly plus special issues)

Sports Illustrated for Kids (monthly)

Talking Book Topics (bimonthly, also contains selections from NLS News irregularly)

Teen People (10 issues)

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Maryland	Baltimore	800-964-9209	(410) 230-2424
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In Brief

New technical circular

NLS has published a new technical circular, *Audio Technology Initiatives* (03–02), summarizing progress in the production, storage, and delivery of digital talking books and in other applications of digital technology.

Student financial aid guide available

The U.S. Department of Education now has available an updated audio recording on compact disc that provides information about federal student aid to students who are blind or visually impaired. The guide covers federal grants, loans, and work-study programs, as well as non-federal sources of aid. Students can request one or more copies of the free guide by contacting the Federal Student Aid Information Center toll free at 1-800-433-3243.

Park Service offers access pass

The National Park Service makes available to United States citizens or permanent residents who are blind or permanently disabled a lifetime entrance pass to national parks, monuments, historic sites, recreation areas, and national wildlife refuges that charge an entrance fee. The Golden Access Passport admits the pass holder and any accompanying passengers in a private vehicle if a park has a per vehicle entrance fee; where a per person entrance fee is charged, the

pass admits the pass holder, spouse, and children.

The Golden Access Passport also provides a fifty percent discount on federal use fees charged for many facilities and services such as camping, swimming, parking, boat launching, and tours. The pass may be obtained by showing proof of medically determined permanent disability or eligibility for receiving benefits under federal law. It must be obtained in person at a federal area (national park, historic site, wildlife refuge, etc.) where an entrance fee is charged.

The National Park Service portal "Visit Your Parks" at <www.nps.gov/parks.html> may be used to locate a convenient park service site. It is recommended that visitors telephone the site to inquire about pass availability and required documentation before traveling.

Books for Adults

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including biographies, classics, gothics, mysteries, romances, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Note: For the information of the reader, a notice may appear immediately following the book description to indicate occurrences of strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, or violence. The word "some" before any of these terms indicates an occasional or infrequent occurrence, as in "some strong language."

Cassettes Nonfiction

Dating and Sex: Defining and Setting Boundaries RC 53575
by Judith Peacock
read by Robin Miles
1 cassette
Defines healthy relationships and dating to teenagers and young adults and outlines the challenges and benefits of exclusive commitments. Explains the risks of sexual activity and ways to handle a breakup. For senior high and older readers. 2001.

A History of Britain, Vol. 2: The Wars of the British 1603–1776 RC 54017
by Simon Schama
read by George Holmes
5 cassettes
In the second part of *A History of Britain (RC 51466)*, the author covers the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries including the Stuart dynasty, civil wars, Oliver Cromwell, the subjugation of Ireland and other overseas ventures, and the loss of the American colonies. Companion to the BBC/History Channel television series. 2001.

Plane Insanity: A Flight Attendant's Tales of Sex, Rage, and Queasiness at 30,000 Feet RC 54071
by Elliott Hester
read by Ray Hagen
2 cassettes
A flight attendant relates tales of bad behavior aloft from his sixteen-year career. Includes bizarre accounts of "mechanical delays, flight cancellations, boarding fiascoes, ballistic passengers," unlikely amorous encounters, and out-of-control intoxication. In Hester's world, "Seeing Eye dogs are some of the best passengers." Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 2001.

Sheba: Through the Desert in Search of the Legendary Queen RC 54276
by Nicholas Clapp
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Author of *The Road to Ubar (RC 46271)* describes his travel adventures while investigating the cultural and historical mysteries surrounding the Queen of Sheba. Clapp's quest takes him from Canterbury Cathedral to a Czech alchemist's tower. He also ventures into Jerusalem, where the queen appeared before King Solomon, and into Ethiopia. 2001.

Star Wars: The New Essential Guide to Characters RC 54337
by Daniel Wallace
read by Erik Sandvold
3 cassettes
Biographies of the galaxy's key heroes and villains that play major roles in the midst of the apocalyptic Yuuzhan Vong invasion. Includes personalities from the films *The Phantom Menace* and *Attack of the Clones*. For junior and senior high and older readers. Bestseller 2002.

The Skeptical Environmentalist: Measuring the Real State of the World RC 54353
by Bjorn Lomborg
read by Butch Hoover
7 cassettes in 2 containers
Statistics professor and former Greenpeace member from Denmark uses statistics to dispute doomsday prophecies of the Green movement. Contends that the claims of many environmental activists regarding species extinction, deforestation, depletion of resources, starvation, waste disposal, and global warming are not proved by science. Also argues that well-intended government policies may have deleterious outcomes. 2001.

Folklore and the Sea RC 54582
by Horace Palmer Beck
read by John Horton
4 cassettes
A collection of maritime traditions, legends, beliefs, and superstitions about shipbuilding, weather, mermaids, sea monsters, specter ships, and related topics. Includes a selection of songs and chanteys. 1973.

The Kennedy Men, 1901–1963: The Laws of the Father RC 54584
by Laurence Leamer
read by Ralph Lowenstein
8 cassettes in 2 containers
History of the Kennedy men analyzes the successes and failures of their public and private lives. Describes the career of Joseph P. Kennedy and his influence on his sons, including their roles in current events until JFK's assassination. Companion to *The Kennedy Women (RC 40698)*. 2001.

London: The Biography RC 54610
by Peter Ackroyd
read by Graeme Malcolm
6 cassettes
From the author of *Dickens (RC 33271)* and *Blake (RC 44809)* among others, a chronicle of the British capital from the time of the Druids, exploring its history, transformations, and monumental events like the Great Plague, the Great Fire, and the Blitz. Includes anecdotes about celebrated residents, everyday life, and distinctive neighborhoods. 2000.

Milking the Moon: A Southerner's Story of Life on This Planet RC 54656
by Eugene Walter
read by Ted Stoddard
3 cassettes
Southern writer Eugene Walter (1921–1998) recounts his life among interesting people like Federico Fellini and Dylan Thomas and in exciting places such as New York, Paris, and Rome. A master storyteller, Walter renders his experiences and observations in his unique, colorful style. Some strong language. 2001.

Shakey: Neil Young's Biography
RC 54664
by Jimmy McDonough
read by Steven Carpenter
5 cassettes
Life and times of rock musician Neil Young, who was born in Canada in 1945 and developed both polio and epilepsy as a child. Focuses on the years between 1966 and 1979, when the songwriter-guitarist worked with such influential bands as Buffalo Springfield and Crosby, Stills, Nash, and Young. Strong language. 2002.

The Art of Eating RC 54667
by M.F.K. Fisher
read by Faith Potts
6 cassettes
Collected edition of this food writer's first five books: *Serve It Forth*, *Consider the Oyster*, *How to Cook a Wolf*, *The Gastronomical Me*, and *An Alphabet for Gourmets*. Combination of memoirs, recipes, and observations. 1990.

My Wars Are Laid Away in Books: The Life of Emily Dickinson RC 54673
by Alfred Habegger
read by Faith Potts
5 cassettes
A biography of the reclusive American poet, Emily Dickinson (1830–1886). While recognizing her peculiarities, the author discusses her as both a woman of her era and a timeless artist. Examines the documentary record and the chronology of her writing to portray Dickinson as she evolved. 2001.

Journey to Portugal: In Pursuit of Portugal's History and Culture
RC 54681
by José Saramago
read by Peter Gil
4 cassettes
The experiences and observations of the 1998 winner of the Nobel Prize for Literature as he traveled through his homeland Portugal in 1979. This memoir of the six-month trip describes Saramago's search for the essence of his country. 2000.

Strong Women and Men Beat Arthritis: The Scientifically Proven Program That Allows People with Arthritis to Take Charge of Their Disease RC 54708
by Miriam E. Nelson and others
read by Patricia McDermott
2 cassettes
The author of *Strong Women Stay Young (RC 46865)* and other "strong women" titles discusses osteoarthritis and rheumatoid arthritis. Explains how to reduce the pain with exercise, nutrition, medication, complementary therapy, and/or joint replacement surgery. 2002.

Mozart's Brain and the Fighter Pilot: Unleashing Your Brain's Potential
RC 54735
by Richard Restak
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Neuropsychiatrist and author of *Older and Wiser (RC 47348)* advocates exercising the brain to improve its performance. Explains how the brain works and offers specific steps to improve cognitive skills, memory, and concentration. Among his recommendations are listening to music, reducing stress, and taking regular physical exercise. 2001.

Roanoke: Solving the Mystery of the Lost Colony RC 54743
by Lee Miller
read by John Richardson
3 cassettes
Anthropologist proposes a solution to the historical mystery of the 1587 disappearance of 116 English colonists from the island of Roanoke, off the North Carolina coast. Postulates their betrayal to Sir Walter Raleigh's enemies and a conspiracy to hide their fate. Invokes evidence from Native American sources of sightings of European captives. 2000.

Type 2 Diabetes: An Essential Guide for the Newly Diagnosed RC 54748
by Gretchen Becker
read by Barry Bernson
3 cassettes
A "patient-expert" guides others in understanding the condition of adult-onset diabetes including the proper use of diet and exercise, testing, medication, insurance issues, emotional concerns, and relevant Internet sites. 2001.

The American Horticultural Society Gardening Manual RC 54756
read by Butch Hoover
6 cassettes
Practical, hands-on advice on every aspect of gardening from design and planning to planting and maintenance. Discusses flowers, lawns, and vegetables. Includes information on constructing decks, patios, fences, ponds, and other yard features. 2000.

A Woman's Education RC 54759
by Jill Ker Conway
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette
This third volume of Conway's memoirs covers her decision to accept the presidency of Smith College in 1975 and her ten-year term as the first woman president of this venerable women's school. She discusses the issues she confronted there and the stresses of her personal life. Sequel to *True North (RC 39108)*. 2001.

Mafia Dynasty: The Rise and Fall of the Gambino Crime Family RC 54760
by John H. Davis
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
An account of fifty years of one of New York's five Cosa Nostra families. Uses anecdotes and trial transcripts to trace the establishment of the Gambino clan's crime syndicate. Concludes with the successful prosecution of top boss John Gotti by Rudolph Giuliani in 1992. Violence and strong language. 1993.

Safari RC 54769
edited by Marc Maurer
read by Conrad Feininger
1 cassette
Nine personal accounts, edited by the president of the National Federation of the Blind, in which blind people explain the need to be perceived as ordinary human beings. Includes accounts by a scoutmaster who hikes the Grand Canyon and a college student who barters his ironing ability for rides. 2001.

Why I Am a Catholic RC 54804
by Garry Wills
read by Lou Harpenau
3 cassettes
The author of *Papal Sin (RC 50273)* explains why he remains a Catholic. He describes his experiences growing up Catholic, then provides a history of the papacy and explains how its acceptance can be integrated with the Apostles'

Creed, which Wills calls the foundation of the faith. Bestseller 2002.

The Lobster Chronicles: Life on a Very Small Island RC 54823
by Linda Greenlaw
read by Norma Lana
2 cassettes
Author of *The Hungry Ocean (RC 48530)* relates her return to the family's island home in Maine to a life of lobstering. Describes the events and people involved in a typical season. Interweaves lobster lore with anecdotes, while reexamining her career and lifestyle choices. Some strong language. Bestseller 2002.

Profiles in Courage for Our Time RC 54830
edited by Caroline Kennedy
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
Distinguished journalists' biographical accounts of fourteen recipients of the John F. Kennedy Profiles in Courage Award, established in 1990 and presented annually to elected officials who exemplify the courage to do what they believe is right for the country. Includes stories on John McCain, Gerald R. Ford, and the Irish peacemakers. Bestseller 2002.

Snobbery: The American Version RC 54831
by Joseph Epstein
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
This perusal of snobbery in the United States examines "its perplexities and its perils, its complications, and not least its comedy." The essayist assesses his own snobbism in particular and society's in general, while discussing how it works and its overall appeal. Bestseller 2002.

Legendary Lighthouses: The Companion to the PBS Television Series RC 54886
by John Grant and Ray Jones
read by Michael Scherer
2 cassettes
Celebrates American lighthouses as travel destinations, navigational aids, and historic monuments. Presents information on the technology of these beacons, focusing on the people who lived and worked in them and on the preservationists. Describes sites from Maine to Florida and from California to the Great Lakes. 1998.

Rites of Autumn: The Story of College Football RC 54893
by Richard Whittingham
read by David Toney
3 cassettes
Traces the evolution of the sport, describing the legendary players and coaches who dominated college football through the decades. Also chronicles traditional team rivalries and the greatest football games ever played. Based on an ESPN television documentary. Foreword by Roger Staubach. 2001.

Honus Wagner: The Life of Baseball's "Flying Dutchman" RC 54902
by Arthur D. Hittner
read by Robert Sams
3 cassettes
Biography of John Peter "Honus" Wagner (1874–1955), a legendary shortstop who was also known as the "Flying Dutchman." Discusses his career as a player and coach with the Pittsburgh Pirates and his induction into the Baseball Hall of Fame in 1939. 1996.

Ghosts of Mississippi: The Murder of Medgar Evers, the Trials of Byron De La Beckwith, and the Haunting of the New South RC 54911
by Maryanne Vollers
read by Mary Kane
3 cassettes
Examines the struggle by Mississippi state prosecutors to convict white supremacist Byron De La Beckwith of murdering black civil rights leader Medgar Evers in 1963. Vollers describes the social, political, and legal turmoil surrounding this case, which took thirty years—and three trials—to resolve. Some strong language. 1995.

On the Job: How to Make It in the Real World of Work RC 54919
by Stephen Viscusi
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
The head of a job placement agency and host of a radio show that examines work-related problems addresses the psychology and reality of the day-to-day marketplace. Uses anecdotes to offer practical advice on organizational skills, office relationships, communication, fraternization, and other topics. 2001.

The Cell: Inside the 9/11 Plot, and Why the FBI and CIA Failed to Stop It RC 54920
by John Miller and Michael Stone
read by Mark Ashby
2 cassettes
Investigative reporters (John Miller interviewed Osama bin Laden in 1998) chronicle the investigation of Islamist terrorist cells by police, the FBI, and the CIA begun in the late 1980s. Highlights how political concerns that followed the 1993 World Trade Center bombing contributed to the failure to deter the militants. Some strong language. Bestseller 2002.

Monarch: The Life and Reign of Elizabeth II RC 54923
by Robert Lacey
read by Anne Flosnik
4 cassettes
Overview of the monarchy of Great Britain from Queen Victoria in the nineteenth century to Queen Elizabeth II's Golden Jubilee in 2002. Explores the crown's uneasy relationship with the press and Elizabeth's endurance of criticism over the misbehavior of members of her family. 2002.

In Search of America RC 54926
by Peter Jennings and Todd Brewster
read by Peter Johnson
4 cassettes
Two broadcast journalists identify basic ideas that have defined American character. Each of six case studies from different parts of the country brings into focus a key theme: race, government, business, immigration, religion, and culture. Examines how the principles on which our country was founded have withstood the test of time. 2002.

Gettysburg: A Testing of Courage RC 54927
by Noah Andre Trudeau
read by Bill Wallace
5 cassettes
Chronicle of the crucial three-day Civil War battle in which Robert E. Lee's plan to destroy the Federal army was thwarted. Begins in mid-May 1863 at Chancellorsville and follows the Army of Northern Virginia through Lee's retreat from Gettysburg. Uses primary sources to present the viewpoints of officers, enlisted men, and civilians. 2002.

Let Freedom Ring: Winning the War of Liberty over Liberalism RC 54932
by Sean Hannity
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
Radio and television commentator offers examples of liberal policies since the 1960s that have led to the demise of American values and traditions and, ultimately, to the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001. Bestseller 2002.

Sandy Koufax: A Lefty's Legacy RC 54935
by Jane Leavy
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
The Brooklyn-born ace pitcher's biography, as well as a social history of baseball. Sandy Koufax "distinguished himself by what he did on the baseball field and by what he refused to do." He is remembered for striking for more pay and for sitting out on Yom Kippur in 1965. Some strong language. Bestseller 2002.

Longitudes and Attitudes: Exploring the World after September 11 RC 54937
by Thomas L. Friedman
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Pulitzer Prize-winning foreign affairs journalist for the *New York Times* presents his columns and diary entries concerning the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks and their aftermath. This "word album" covers his experiences and encounters with people in Afghanistan, Israel, Europe, Indonesia, and Saudi Arabia. Bestseller 2002.

A Girl Named Zippy: Growing Up Small in Mooreland, Indiana RC 54946
by Haven Kimmel
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Memoir of growing up in the late 1960s and 1970s in a mid-American hamlet of three hundred people. Nicknamed "Zippy" after a fast-moving chimpanzee on TV, the author recounts childhood incidents involving her family, best friend Julie, and school. In the process she describes her community. Bestseller 2001.

Fodor's Exploring Canada RC 54992
by Tim Jepson
read by Ken Kliban
3 cassettes
Brief description of the history and culture of the world's second largest country, America's northern neighbor. Offers travel highlights including where to stay, what to see, where to eat, getting around, and trips on and off the beaten path. 2001.

Leadership RC 55051
by Rudolph W. Giuliani
read by Ralph Lowenstein
3 cassettes
Drawing on anecdotes from his experiences as a trial lawyer and federal prosecutor, Giuliani describes the strategies and qualities that enabled him to spearhead New York City's revitalization during eight years as mayor. Also details his role during the catastrophic September 11, 2001, World Trade Center attack. Some strong language. Bestseller 2002.

Portrait of a Killer: Jack the Ripper—Case Closed RC 55063
by Patricia Cornwell
read by Mary Kane
3 cassettes
Author of the Kay Scarpetta mysteries uses forensics to try to determine the true identity of the 1888 London serial killer Jack the Ripper. Reconstructing the case and its context, Cornwell charges painter Walter Sickert with the much-disputed mutilation murders of prostitutes. Violence and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2002.

Black Mass: The Irish Mob, the FBI, and a Devil's Deal RC 55068
by Dick Lehr and Gerard O'Neill
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
Investigative journalists expose FBI corruption. In 1975 Boston FBI agent John Connolly began using Irish mobster Jim "Whitey" Bulger as an informant. Though Bulger committed outrageous crimes, the state police and federal drug agents were never able to get a conviction, and authorities became suspicious of a fix. Violence and strong language. 2000.

Severed: The True Story of the Black Dahlia Murder RC 55070
by John Gilmore
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
Investigation of the infamous 1947 Hollywood murder of an aspiring starlet. Nicknamed the "Black Dahlia" by her party crowd, Elizabeth Short was twenty-two when she was killed. Traces her life and that of the main suspect, who was never convicted. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Eleven Seconds: A Story of Tragedy, Courage, and Triumph RC 55075
by Travis Roy
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes
Hockey player Travis Roy was paralyzed and left a quadriplegic almost immediately after taking to the ice in his first collegiate game at Boston University in 1995. He describes his rehabilitation, supportive family, and eventual return to school in a wheelchair. For senior high and older readers. 1998.

West of Kabul, East of New York: An Afghan American Story RC 55076
by Tamim Ansary
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Memoir exploring the author's bicultural heritage and his feelings about Islam. The son of an Afghan father and American mother, Ansary describes his childhood in Afghanistan, moving to the United States at sixteen, and subsequent identity crisis. Discusses his travels through the Muslim Middle East as an adult. Some strong language. 2002.

Understanding Hepatitis RC 55078
by James L. Achord
read by Jake Williams
1 cassette
A physician explains different types of hepatitis (inflammation of the liver) including the most prevalent: A, B, and C. Covers the function of the liver; the disease's signs, symptoms, and causes; and care, treatment, and research. 2002.

K-19: The Widowmaker; the Secret Story of the Soviet Nuclear Submarine
RC 55090
by Peter Huchthausen
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
In a companion volume to the movie of the same name, a retired U.S. Navy captain describes the nuclear meltdown aboard a Soviet submarine in 1961. Uses first-person accounts to describe the efforts of the crew to avert disaster in this and other Soviet maritime accidents during the Cold War. 2002.

Bringing Up Boys RC 55094
by James Dobson
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Child psychologist and the author of *Dare to Discipline (RC 23722)* and other books offers advice on raising sons in a moral atmosphere. Discusses the differences between bringing up boys and girls, the role of fathers, single parenting, homosexuality, discipline, school issues, and social trends. 2001.

Hurrah for My New Free Country
RC 55099
by Leon Charles Fouquet
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Narrative from the journals and letters of a Frenchman who immigrated to Kansas in 1868 at age eighteen. His experiences reflect the difficulties of a pioneer family—railroad swindles, conflict with Indians, crop failures, and finally moving on for a fresh start in Oklahoma in the early 1900s. 1990.

When the Road Turns: Inspirational Stories by and about People with MS
RC 55104
edited by Margot Russell
read by MaryBeth Wise
2 cassettes
Seventeen essays describe how people deal with having multiple sclerosis (MS). The editor remembers the changes in her life as she climbs Machu Picchu. Single father Dave Perez lives for his children, while Gary Lavenson has found acceptance by participating in an experimental program. Prologue by Montel Williams. 2001.

A Taste-Berry Teen's Guide to Managing the Stress and Pressures of Life: With Contributions from Teens for Teens
RC 55105
edited by Bettie B. Youngs and Jennifer Leigh Youngs
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
Describes how to deal with stress by employing coping and prevention skills. Includes stories by teens who are experiencing problems with family, friends, and other loved ones. For junior and senior high and older readers. 2001.

Breaking Point RC 55112
by Suzy Spencer
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
True-crime writer's record of the case of Andrea Yates, a thirty-six-year-old Houston, Texas, housewife who deliberately drowned her five children, aged six months to seven years, in June 2001. Recounts events that led up to the murders and describes the subsequent trial. Discusses the effect of postpartum depression on Yates's mental state. 2002.

Go To: The Story of the Math Majors, Bridge Players, Engineers, Chess Wizards, Maverick Scientists, and Iconoclasts—the Programmers Who Created the Software Revolution RC 55113
by Steve Lohr
read by Michael Scherer
2 cassettes
History of computer programming from FORTRAN to Java, starting in the 1950s. Captures the excitement of the open-source and free software movements and also provides biographical portraits of the most influential programmers together with descriptions of their contributions. 2001.

Inherited Risk: Errol and Sean Flynn in Hollywood and Vietnam RC 55115
by Jeffrey Meyers
read by Ted Stoddard
3 cassettes
Dual biography of actor Errol Flynn (1909–1959) and his photojournalist son Sean (1941–1971). Contends that the conflicted younger Flynn both struggled against and emulated his father's lifestyle and that the recklessness they shared led to Sean's death at twenty-nine on assignment in Vietnam. Strong language. 2002.

Anatomy of an Illness as Perceived by the Patient: Reflections on Healing and Regeneration RC 55117
by Norman Cousins
read by Bob Moore
1 cassette (Reissue)
The author's reflections generated by his triumph over a crippling disease. Cousins investigates the chemistry of the will to live and factors influencing the capacity for self-healing. He also believes that humor and laughter, along with a strong doctor/patient relationship, aid the body's natural healing powers. 1979.

Type 2 Diabetes in Teens: Secrets for Success RC 55120
by Jean Betschart-Roemer
read by Nanette Savard
2 cassettes
Nurse practitioner explains health care for teens with Type 2 diabetes. Discusses social issues such as drinking, driving, substance abuse, sexuality, pregnancy, college, sports, dating, depression, and complications as they relate to the disease. Includes comments from teens and advice for parents. For junior and senior high and older readers. 2002.

The Language of Animals: Seven Steps to Communicating with Animals RC 55123
by Carol Gurney
read by Barbara Pinolini
2 cassettes
Animal communicator describes her HeartTalk Program, which enables humans to connect spiritually with other species. Explains how to talk with animals, find solutions to behavioral problems, relocate with your animal companion, find a lost one, and face illness and death together. 2001.

Facing Your Fifties: Every Man's Reference Guide to Mid-Life Health RC 55127
by Gordon Ehlers and Jeff Miller
read by John Hammock
4 cassettes
Medical information for middle-aged men to help increase the odds of good health in later years. Chapters address common concerns of this age group, including cardiovascular and respiratory conditions, male menopause and

prostate problems, stress and depression, and sports injuries. Advises on medical testing, diet and lifestyle, and exercise. 2002.

Coping with Social Anxiety RC 55128
by Heather Moehn
read by Morgan Duncan
1 cassette
Describes a self-consciousness disorder that can lead to impairment in social situations. Describes some social phobia causes and remedies and offers suggestions for professional help. For junior and senior high readers. 2001.

Genes, Girls, and Gamow: After the Double Helix RC 55133
by James D. Watson
read by Mark Ashby
2 cassettes
Memoir of one of the codiscoverers of DNA's structure. Discusses his life after receiving recognition at age twenty-five for revolutionizing molecular biology. Candidly recounts his longing for love, his scientific exploits researching RNA, and his friendship with Russian physicist George Gamow. Sequel to *The Double Helix (RC 51672)*. 2001.

Red, White, and Blue Letter Days: An American Calendar RC 55134
by Matthew Dennis
read by Ted Stoddard
3 cassettes
Professor describes the history and origin of American civic holidays and how they reflect the politics and values of this country. Includes the Fourth of July, Thanksgiving, Presidents' Day, Memorial Day, Columbus Day, Labor Day, and Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday. 2002.

The Best American Poetry, 2002 RC 55138
edited by Robert Creeley
read by Kimberly Schraf
2 cassettes
The editor, himself a poet, chose poems that caught his fancy for unexpected insights or other ways of being this year's best. Fanny Howe's "9-11-01" is the only poem to address the terrorist catastrophe directly. Contributors' notes and comments conclude the anthology. 2002.

Patients' Rights in the Age of Managed Health Care RC 55139
by Lisa Yount
read by Erik Synnestvedt
3 cassettes
This overview, reference book, and research guide discusses two main effects of managed health care on individuals: rising costs and the corollary fear that reducing costs will foreclose necessary care. Examines the history of federal laws applicable to health care and patients' rights, and includes an annotated list of organizations. 2001.

The Count and the Confession: A True Mystery RC 55140
by John Taylor
read by Steven Carpenter
3 cassettes
Seasoned journalist's account of the November 1992 trial and conviction of Virginia socialite Beverly Monroe for killing her lover—unscrupulous art collector and ersatz count Roger de la Burde, who was first thought to have committed suicide. Chronicles Beverly's confession and recantation, and the lingering doubt about the case. Some strong language. 2002.

The Best American Science Writing, 2002 RC 55141
edited by Matt Ridley
read by Gary Telles
4 cassettes
Anthology of twenty-one articles from science periodicals covering genetics, cloning, environmental issues, astronomy, and cosmetic surgery. In "Dr. Daedalus," Lauren Slater interviews a plastic surgeon who envisions enhancing the range of human hearing to that of owls by means of cochlear transplants. 2002.

The Best American Sports Writing, 2002 RC 55142
edited by Rick Reilly
read by Robert Sams
3 cassettes
Twenty-eight stories culled from magazines, newspapers, and web sites. In "Her Blue Heaven," a woman with cerebral palsy uses a head pointer to maintain a Dodgers web site; "Flesh and Blood" reports on Rae Carruth's murder trial; and "Near Death in the Afternoon" describes a bullfight. Strong language. 2002.

The Handbook of the Middle East RC 55188
by Michael G. Kort
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
Overview of the Middle East's history, geography, culture, government, and politics. Includes Egypt, Libya, Israel, the Palestinian Authority, Jordan, Lebanon, Syria, Iraq, Turkey, Iran, and the countries of the Arabian Peninsula: Saudi Arabia, Yemen, Oman, Kuwait, United Arab Emirates, Qatar, and Bahrain. For senior high and older readers. 2002.

The Hell with Love: Poems to Mend a Broken Heart RC 55189
edited by Mary D. Esselman and Elizabeth Ash Vélez
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
Collection of poems spanning the stages of emotional recovery from heartbreak. Selected mainly from the work of such twentieth-century poets as Margaret Atwood, Louise Glück, Billy Collins, and Robert Frost, the sequence of topics takes us through rage, sadness, self-hatred, false hope, resolve, relapse, real hope, and moving on. 2002.

Cherry: A Life of Apsley Cherry-Garrard RC 55209
by Sara Wheeler
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Chronicle of an Antarctic rescue gone wrong. In February 1912 Cherry-Garrard drove a dog team 150 miles across Antarctica's ice to rendezvous with Robert Scott's party, returning from an epic South Pole race. The men, however, had frozen to death on the homeward leg. Portrays Cherry-Garrard as haunted by his failure to rescue them. 2002.

Tell Me Why: A Father Answers His Daughter's Questions about God RC 55218
by Michael Novak and Jana Novak
read by Mark Ashby
2 cassettes
A Catholic theologian responds to fourteen thoughtful questions posed by his daughter. The family conversation delves into the importance and variety of religions, the Bible, heaven and hell, the nature of evil, sexual matters, and other spiritual concerns. 1998.

The Conquerors: Roosevelt, Truman, and the Destruction of Hitler's Germany, 1941–1945 RC 55220
by Michael Beschloss
read by Steven Carpenter
3 cassettes
Historian relates the political dilemmas facing the Allies during World War II, including the future of conquered Germany. American Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau Jr. urged harsh punitive measures in retaliation for Nazi crimes against European Jews, while others sought rehabilitation and the establishment of democracy to prevent further German aggression. Bestseller 2002.

Just as I Am: Americans with Disabilities RC 55221
by Ellen Dossett
read by Bob Moore
1 cassette
Portrays forty individuals—children, teens, and adults—who live with a physical and/or mental disability. Describes their accomplishments, family perspectives, and hopes for the future. Foreword by former senator Bob Dole. 1999.

Hole in My Life RC 55222
by Jack Gantos
read by Michael Russotto
1 cassette
Autobiographical account of author's youthful struggles to support himself and to overcome the effects of a prison sentence for drug smuggling. Describes his constant fear of fellow prisoners and his determination to become a writer and obtain a college degree. Strong language and some violence. For senior high readers. 2002.

Racing to Win RC 55226
by Joe Gibbs
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
Former Washington Redskins coach and current owner of two NASCAR race cars offers practical advice on establishing a "good game plan" for career, finance, team building, relationships, moral choices, and both physical and spiritual health. Uses anecdotes and Christian precepts. 2002.

Ill Nature: Rants and Reflections on Humanity and Other Animals RC 55231
by Joy Williams
read by Barbara Pinolini
1 cassette
Outspoken essays by an acclaimed fiction writer on such topics as hunting, animal rights, and the fertility industry. Williams explores the effects of our consumer culture on the environment, arguing that in order to resolve our ecological crisis, "a deep change in personal consciousness is needed." Some violence and some strong language. 2001.

Saving Monticello: The Levy Family's Epic Quest to Rescue the House That Jefferson Built RC 55234
by Marc Leepson
read by Ted Stoddard
2 cassettes
How Thomas Jefferson's mansion was restored twice by different generations of the Levy family. In 1834, Uriah Levy, a Jewish naval officer, bought Monticello and saved it from ruin. Following the Civil War, his nephew reclaimed the estate for the family. Preservationists succeeded in wresting it from private ownership in 1923. 2001.

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Jury: Greatest Closing Arguments in Modern Law RC 55236
by Michael S. Lief and others
read by Robert Sams
4 cassettes
Summations from ten historically significant trials. Includes Nuremberg and My Lai war crimes cases; the suit on behalf of Karen Silkwood against a nuclear plant; the Leopold-Loeb and Manson murder trials; the proceedings against civil rights leader Medgar Evers's killer; and the prosecution of the Chicago Seven. Some violence and some strong language. 1998.

Roosevelt's Secret War: FDR and World War II Espionage RC 55237
by Joseph E. Persico
read by Michael Scherer
4 cassettes
The author of *Casey: From the OSS to the CIA (RC 32563)* describes the role of President Franklin D. Roosevelt before and during World War II in establishing an intelligence agency within the American government. Discusses the work of the OSS and clandestine operations on all fronts that led to the defeat of the Axis. 2001.

The Best American Recipes 2002–2003 RC 55241
edited by Fran McCullough
read by Barbara Pinolini
3 cassettes
Collection of recipes gathered from sources such as cookbooks, magazines, newspapers, and the Internet. Selections—with hints and tips for cooks—include appetizers, soups, salads, main and side dishes, breads, desserts, and drinks. Many of the recipes give suggestions for accompanying dishes and beverages. Also presents ideas for breakfasts and brunches. 2002.

WITSEC: Inside the Federal Witness Protection Program RC 55245
by Pete Earley and Gerald Shur
read by Michael Russotto
3 cassettes
Fully documented history of the U.S. Justice Department's program to protect witnesses by giving them new identities. Focuses on its founder, Gerald Shur, a dedicated fighter against organized crime, who has been "involved with every major Mafia witness in recent history." Includes an account by a woman in the program. Some strong language. 2002.

Crucial Conversations: Tools for Talking When Stakes Are High RC 55247
by Kerry Patterson and others
read by Morgan Duncan
2 cassettes
Teaches the skills required to master high-stakes interactions both at home and at work. Uses anecdotes to describe how to stay focused, be persuasive, actively listen, and achieve action and results. 2002.

Inside Delta Force: The Story of America's Elite Counterterrorist Unit RC 55249
by Eric L. Haney
read by Bob Moore
3 cassettes
First person account of becoming a warrior against terrorism in the U.S. Army's commando troops. Covers the rigorous selection process, the intense training, and the daring missions. This seasoned command sergeant major describes his assignments in hostage situations, guerrilla warfare, and rescue operations. Some strong language. 2002.

Nothing Is Impossible: Reflections on a New Life RC 55253
by Christopher Reeve
read by Christopher Walker
1 cassette
Christopher Reeve, quadriplegic since an equestrian accident in 1995, contemplates what a successful life comprises. Offers his thoughts on parenting, religion, advocacy, faith, recovery, and keeping a sense of humor along with hope. 2002.

The Blank Slate: The Modern Denial of Human Nature RC 55274
by Steven Pinker
read by Lou Harpenau
5 cassettes
MIT professor of psychology challenges the concept that the human mind is comparable to a blank slate, arguing that basic traits and tendencies are genetically inherited. Discusses the cultural damage resulting from the blank slate theory and propounds the advantages of its demise. Bestseller 2002.

The Essential Koran: The Heart of Islam; an Introductory Selection of Readings from the Qur'an RC 55316
edited by Thomas Cleary
read by Ken Kliban
1 cassette
Modern English translation of extracts from the Qur'an, including hymns of praise, prayers, exhortations, and recitations illuminating the essence of Islam for the non-Muslim reader. Translation, introduction, and notes by Thomas Cleary. 1993.

The Bhagavad Gita as a Living Experience RC 55321
by Wilfried Huchzermeyer and Jutta Zimmermann
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
An interpretive study of the Sanskrit spiritual text. Offers modern insight into the ancient Indian epic poem, probing its meaning, historical context, and principal characters. 2002.

Lucky RC 55335
by Alice Sebold
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
Woman's brutally honest account of her rape as an eighteen-year-old college freshman. From the crime to the courtroom, Sebold copes with the legal and emotional consequences of the profound violence that changed her life. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1999.

The Other End of the Leash: Why We Do What We Do around Dogs RC 55416
by Patricia B. McConnell
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
Animal behaviorist and family dog trainer uses anecdotes and research to advise owners about interacting with their pets. She explains that human behavior differs from canine behavior and may therefore be misinterpreted by the dog. She suggests modifying human signals to gain a dog's trust and cooperation. 2002.

The Great Explorers: The European Discovery of America RC 55538
by Samuel Eliot Morison
read by Hal Tenny
5 cassettes (Reissue)
Gathers material from *The European Discovery of America: The Northern Voyages, A.D. 500–1600* and *The European Discovery of America: The Southern Voyages, A.D. 1492–1616* to describe the arrival of Columbus, Drake, Magellan, and others. 1978.

The Lessons of History RC 55542
by Will Durant and Ariel Durant
read by Gordon Gould
1 cassette (Reissue)
Postscript to the authors' monumental ten-volume Story of Civilization. Concludes that the phenomenon of human progress is real in the sense that each generation is born to a heritage richer than that received by its predecessors. 1968.

Our Oriental Heritage: Being a History of Civilization in Egypt and the Near East to the Death of Alexander, and in India, China, and Japan from the Beginning to Our Own Day RC 55544
by Will Durant
read by Maurice Shroder
8 cassettes in 2 containers (Reissue)
Part 1 of the Story of Civilization introduces the cultural history of the Near East, the Far East, and India. 1935.

Cassettes Fiction

***An Officer and a Lady* and Other Stories RC 52930**
by Rex Stout
read by John Lescault
2 cassettes
Short stories dealing with the relationships between men and women by the creator of the Nero Wolfe mystery series. In the title piece a veteran burglar is surprised by the occupant of the house he robs. In "Excess Baggage" a traveling salesman finally marries but ends up in trouble. 2000.

Hole in the Sky RC 53176
by Pete Hautman
read by Michael Russotto
1 cassette
By 2036, a deadly flu wipes out most of Earth's population. Ceej Kane lives with his uncle and sister at the Grand Canyon. Then they disappear. Ceej, his friend Tim, and Bella, a Hopi girl, search for them—and for a portal to another world. For senior high readers. 2001.

Augur's Teacher: Gene Roddenberry's Earth—Final Conflict, Volume 4 RC 53382
by Sherwood Smith
read by John Polk
3 cassettes
California teacher Cecilia Robin resists cooperating with the alien Taelons as well as with those who oppose them. Her independence forces her into hiding from both groups. Only Augur, computer expert and tech spy, can save her. Sequel to *Requiem for Boone (RC 53381)*. Associated the Earth: Final Conflict television series. 2001.

The Tale of Genji RC 53582
by Murasaki Shikibu
read by Gordon Gould
12 cassettes in 2 containers
Classic eleventh-century tale of the loves and adventures of Genji, the Shining Prince—the quintessence of medieval Japanese courtly distinction. The meticulously detailed setting recreates imperial

protocol, court intrigues, festivals, and privileged artistic refinements. Royall Tyler's 2001 translation is the novel's third rendering in English. 2001.

The Sound of One Hand Clapping RC 53674
by Richard Flanagan
read by Celeste Lawson
2 cassettes
Tasmania. A story that alternates between the 1950s and 1960s and the 1980s and 1990s, in which Sonja Buloh relates events following her mother's disappearance in 1954. Sonja describes her struggles to find peace with her abusive, drunken, Slovenian immigrant father. Strong language. 1997.

Shadow of the Hegemon RC 53932
by Orson Scott Card
read by Bob Askey
3 cassettes
Bean, the child genius from *Ender's Shadow (RC 48937)*, is the only member of Ender's Dragon Army to escape kidnapping. In this continuation, he switches his alliance from Ender to Ender's brother, Peter. Bean's brilliant tactics enable Peter to become the Hegemon. 2000.

Murder in Hawaii RC 53969
by Steve Allen
read by John Lescault
3 cassettes
Steve Allen and his wife, Jayne Meadows, happily travel to Honolulu to guest-star in a television series with actor Billy Markham—the son of old friends. But Markham is being stalked, and after two related drownings, Steve and Jayne attempt to discover the killer. 1999.

The Haunted Sisters RC 54140
by Jean Plaidy
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Three Crowns (RC 39450)*, Britain is on the eve of the 1688 Glorious Revolution. The Protestant Stuart sisters—Mary, the queen, and Anne, the future monarch—are continually haunted by their betrayal of their Catholic father, James II, in exile in France. 1966.

Ship of Destiny: The Liveship Traders, Book 3 RC 54151
by Robin Hobb
read by Roy Avers
6 cassettes
In this seafaring fantasy saga that follows *Mad Ship (RC 54150)* and concludes the trilogy, Althea and Brashen continue their quest to recover the *Vivacia*. Their vessel, the mad ship *Paragon*, becomes the key link in reestablishing vital connections. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2000.

Tom Clancy's Net Force: Point of Impact RC 54178
by Steve Perry
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
2011. A new drug is being sold on the Internet for $1,000 per capsule. The mixture, including psychedelics, angel dust, and steroids, gives a person extraordinary powers. It is up to Net Force to find the source. Sequel to *Tom Clancy's Net Force: Breaking Point (RC 51396)*. Strong language and some violence. 2001.

Jeremy Poldark: A Novel of Cornwall, 1790–1791 RC 54183
by Winston Graham
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes (Reissue)
In this sequel to *Demelza (RC 54182)*, Ross Poldark is charged with plundering two wrecked ships on the beach below his house and must appear in court on a charge of piracy. He is also shunned for his marriage to Demelza as they await the birth of their child. 1950.

Mrs. Fytton's Country Life RC 54283
by Mavis Cheek
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
3 cassettes
Angela Fytton, superwife, mother, and businesswoman, moves to the country after her husband, Ian, dumps her for a younger woman. Hoping to break up Ian's new marriage and win him back, Angela also leaves their two unruly teenagers with the newlyweds. Some strong language. 2000.

Rules of Surrender RC 54291
by Christina Dodd
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
London, 1840. Lady Charlotte Dalrumple is commissioned by the viscountess Ruskin to reform her young grandchildren. Lady Charlotte arrives at her position to discover her true assignment—the taming of the viscountess's wild, dangerously handsome son. By the author of *Rules of Engagement (RC 54292)*. Descriptions of sex. 2000.

Rules of Engagement RC 54292
by Christina Dodd
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
London, 1840. The earl of Kerrich schemes to achieve respectability by adopting an orphan and hiring an unattractive governess. The beautiful and broke Miss Pamela Lockhart disguises herself to play the part. Attraction ignites before Pamela's identity is revealed. By the author of *Rules of Surrender (RC 54291)*. Descriptions of sex. 2000.

Rules of Attraction RC 54293
by Christina Dodd
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
England, 1843. Hannah Setterington sells The Distinguished Academy of Governesses to follow her heart's desire. She accepts a position as companion to the aunt of Lord Raeburn, the husband she hasn't seen for nine years. A passionate reunion ensues. By the author of *Rules of Engagement (RC 54292)*. Descriptions of sex. 2001.

Sarah: Women of Genesis, Book 1 RC 54294
by Orson Scott Card
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
First novel in the Women of Genesis trilogy. Sarah meets Abraham when she is ten and Abraham promises to return for her in ten years. Their marriage is plagued by childlessness and Sarah must have faith in Abraham's God, who has promised her a son. Followed by *Rebekah (RC 54295)*. 2000.

A Rake's Vow RC 54297
by Stephanie Laurens
read by Kristin Allison
3 cassettes
1829; Northamptonshire, England. Vane Cynster is determined not to marry and even flees London to escape wedlock's trappings. Surprised, he meets his match in the beautiful and independent Pa-

tience Debbington. Wary of romance, Patience proves to be Vane's most challenging conquest. Sequel to *Devil's Bride (RC 54296)*. Descriptions of sex. 1998.

A Secret Love RC 54300
by Stephanie Laurens
read by Kristin Allison
3 cassettes
1820, England. To save her family's fortune, Alathea Morwellan needs Gabriel Cynster, her childhood playmate. To keep her family's distress private, she disguises herself when she appeals to Gabriel. Charmed by the veiled woman, Gabriel longs to discover her identity. Sequel to *A Rogue's Proposal (RC 54299)*. Descriptions of sex. 2000.

Fire Ice: A Novel from the NUMA Files RC 54328
by Clive Cussler
read by Bob Askey
3 cassettes
Kurt Austin and his forces at the National Underwater and Marine Agency (NUMA) battle Mikhail Razov, a Russian billionaire who plans to destroy the coastal United States. Razov fires missiles in the ocean to release methane hydrate that triggers tsunamis and global warming. Violence and strong language. Bestseller 2002.

Wicked Forest: The De Beers Family, Volume 2 RC 54347
by V.C. Andrews
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Willow (RC 54173)*, Willow moves to Florida to keep tabs on her disturbed mother and psychotic half-brother, Linden. She becomes caught up in the glamour of Palm Beach, attends college, and marries attorney Thatcher Eaton. But there is no escape from the past. 2002.

Kentucky Heat RC 54432
by Fern Michaels
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Nealy Diamond Clay is now widowed but continues running her successful thoroughbred farm. When her adult children, Emmie and Nick, disappoint her, she disowns them. Her late husband's partner, Hatch Littletree, helps her to uncover her past and to heal emotionally. Sequel to *Kentucky Rich (RC 54431)*. Some strong language. 2002.

In This Mountain RC 54446
by Jan Karon
read by Gary Tipton
3 cassettes
Father Tim Kavanagh and his wife, Cynthia, return to Mitford and renew old friendships. Father Tim, however, struggles with retirement and aging while Cynthia achieves success as a children's writer. Father Tim's failure to control his diabetes leads to near-tragedy. Sequel to *A Common Life (RC 52101)*. Bestseller 2002.

Bad Boy Brawly Brown RC 54452
by Walter Mosley
read by Alec Volz
2 cassettes
Los Angeles, 1964. Easy Rawlins, still mourning the death of his partner, Mouse, agrees to help a friend locate his stepson, Brawly, who has gotten involved in a radical political group. As Rawlins investigates, he uncovers crooked cops, shady women, robbers, and two murders. Strong language and some violence. Bestseller 2002.

Dead March: A Civil War Mystery
RC 54485
by Ann McMillan
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
Richmond, Virginia; 1861. On the eve of the Civil War, young widow Narcissa Powers investigates the mysterious death of her brother, a medical student. With the help of freedwoman and healer Judah Daniel and reporter Brit Wallace, she uncovers a grave robbing and murder scheme. 1998.

The Ship Who Sang RC 54493
by Anne McCaffrey
read by Corrie James
2 cassettes
Born a deformed human, Helva wins the title of shellperson and her brain is transferred into the control center of an intergalactic scout ship. Traveling among the stars, she shares her missions with one normal human, and Helva finds that even a spaceship can fall in love. By the author of *PartnerShip (RC 54494)*. 1969.

PartnerShip RC 54494
by Anne McCaffrey and Margaret Ball
read by Corrie James
2 cassettes
As a brand-new member of the elite Central Worlds' Courier Service, shellperson Nancia, half human and half spaceship, undertakes her first mission, carrying a group of young aristocrats across the galaxy. She faces a dilemma when her passengers hatch a conspiracy to acquire power and wealth. By the author of *The Ship Who Sang (RC 54493)*. Strong language. 1992.

Buttons and Beaus RC 54521
by Margaret Brownley
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
New York City, 1880. Amanda Blackwell runs a cycling school for young ladies while caring for her mentally challenged brother. Architect Damian Newcastle, also attending to a special son, needs Amanda's property to build a twenty-story skyscraper. But Amanda holds Newcastle's father responsible for her own father's death. 1997.

The Stories of Paul Bowles RC 54540
by Paul Bowles
read by Steven Carpenter
5 cassettes
Collection of sixty-two short stories, arranged chronologically and covering forty years of work by the late American writer (1910–1999). Bowles's stories—"The Delicate Prey," for example—often reflect clashing tribal and alien cultures in a sinister 1940s milieu where rough justice is expediently dispensed. Many of the stories are set in Morocco, where Bowles lived for decades. Some violence. 2001.

Old Men at Midnight RC 54600
by Chaim Potok
read by Ken Kliban
2 cassettes
Linked novellas about three very different Jewish men: Noah Stremin, teenage Holocaust survivor; Leon Shertov, guest lecturer from the Soviet Union; and Benjamin Walter, memoirist. What they have in common is Ilana Davita Dinn, the woman who elicits their stories. 2001.

Love Doesn't Come Easy RC 54647
by Charlyne Dickerson
read by Kimberly Schraf
2 cassettes
Jennifer Johnson is attractive, successful, and cautious when it comes to romance. When she meets Michael Maxwell, she is unprepared for the chemistry between them. Jennifer continues her quest to solve the mystery of her past, while Michael desires to be her future. Explicit descriptions of sex. 2001.

Requiem for a Lost Empire RC 54725
by Andrei Makine
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
Follows a Russian family for three generations, from the Russian revolution to the late twentieth century. The experiences of the family's men, who are spies and soldiers, unfold against a backdrop of violent and political conflicts in their country and abroad. 2001.

In Spite of Killer Bees RC 54734
by Julie Johnston
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
The three unconventional Quade sisters move to their disgraced, late father's hometown in Ontario after they inherit their grandfather's house—and an eccentric aunt. Fourteen-year-old Aggie wants to stay while Helen and Jeannie, being older, do not. If they leave, however, they lose their inheritance. For senior high readers. 2001.

DoOon Mode: The Mode, Book 4 RC 54742
by Piers Anthony
read by Gary Tipton
3 cassettes
This sequel to *Chaos Mode (RC 39711)* provides the climax to the saga of Colene, who finally confronts her worst fear—sex. Continues the adventures of other characters in the alternate realities of the Mode multiverse. Explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2001.

Prague RC 54758
by Arthur Phillips
read by Frank Coffee
3 cassettes
Five young North Americans live in Budapest, although they suspect that Prague is a better place. An odd assortment thrown together by an expatriate bond rather than sincere affinity, they sort through career and lifestyle decisions. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2002.

The Fire Dragon: The Dragon Mage, Book 3 RC 54761
by Katharine Kerr
read by Kristin Allison
3 cassettes
In the year 850, Prince Maryn prepares to assume the throne. The ill-fated love affair between the prince and the magical Lilli comes to an end. Raena and Rhodry continue their rivalry two centuries later. Sequel to *The Black Raven (RC 50968)*. 2001.

Chains around the Grass RC 54765
by Naomi Ragen
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
New York City, 1950s. Ruth Markowitz struggles to survive after the unexpected death of her husband, David, who had just lost their life savings in an investment scheme. She is left bereft with three children in a dangerous housing project. From the author of *Jephte's Daughter (RC 45473)*. 2002.

Stone Kiss: A Peter Decker/Rina Lazarus Novel RC 54803
by Faye Kellerman
read by Richard Davidson
3 cassettes
L.A. detective Peter Decker and his wife, Rina, return to New York to help Rabbi Levine, Peter's half-brother. Not only has the rabbi's fifteen-year-old niece vanished, but his brother-in-law, Ephraim, has been murdered. The investigation yields sordid family secrets. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2002.

Dead Midnight: A Sharon McCone Mystery RC 54807
by Marcia Muller
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
The family of Roger Nagasawa hires San Francisco private investigator Sharon McCone to investigate his suicide. They blame the online magazine where Roger worked for his death. Sharon, mourning the suicide of her own brother, uncovers corruption, greed, and infighting at the dot-com. Strong language and some violence. 2002.

The Diary of Ellen Rimbauer: My Life at Rose Red RC 54808
edited by Joyce Reardon
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
Seattle, early 1900s. Set at "Rose Red," a mansion built for Ellen, his young bride, by oil-magnate John Rimbauer—atop a Native American burial ground. Ellen's diary, revealing her evolution from submissive innocent to fiercely powerful woman, tells Rose Red's eerie history of construction, deaths, and disappearances. Basis of the Stephen King TV miniseries. Some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2001.

The Art of Deception RC 54812
by Ridley Pearson
read by Ray Foushee
3 cassettes
Seattle policemen Lou Boldt and John LaMoia, investigating separate cases, conclude that the murder of an abused woman and the disappearance of two tourists are related. Meanwhile, a homeless man is stalking department psychologist Daphne Matthews. Violence and strong language. 2002.

Standing in the Rainbow RC 54819
by Fannie Flagg
read by Barbara Caruso
3 cassettes
Follows town life in Elmwood Springs, Missouri, from the 1940s to the 1990s. Mrs. Dorothy Smith from *Welcome to the World, Baby Girl! (RC 47006)* continues her radio show. Her son, Bobby, gets involved with the guests, including a blind teenager and a gospel-singing family. Some strong language. Bestseller 2002.

Tom Clancy's Op-Center: Mission of Honor RC 54820
by Jeff Rovin
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
At the Vatican's urging, Op-Center investigates the kidnapping of a priest in Botswana after Catholic missionaries are ordered to leave. It uncovers a plan to destabilize the government and take over the national diamond mines. So Op-Center finds itself in the middle of an African war. Violence and strong language. 2002.

The White RC 54821
by Deborah Larsen
read by Jill Ferris
1 cassette
In 1758, Indians abduct and scalp a Pennsylvania colonial family. Teenager Mary Jemison, however, is spared and adopted by two Seneca women. Always identified by her white skin, Mary nonetheless becomes a blend of two cultures —a self-defined woman. Violence and some descriptions of sex. 2002.

Her Father's House RC 54822
by Belva Plain
read by Jill Ferris
3 cassettes
New York, 1968. Brilliant young lawyer Donald Wolfe marries Lillian Morris in the heat of infatuation. Their marriage fails, and Donald promises to provide for the child Lillian is expecting. But he doesn't realize this will mean kidnapping his daughter and creating a new life for them in rural Georgia. Bestseller 2002.

Year of Wonders: A Novel of the Plague RC 54834
by Geraldine Brooks
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Derbyshire, England; 1666. Anna Frith, an eighteen-year-old widow with two children, is a servant at the rectory. In her account of the plague's arrival and the villagers' difficult choice of quarantine, she shows what can happen to faith and human kindness in times of widespread death and desperation. Some violence. Bestseller 2001.

Social Crimes RC 54838
by Jane Stanton Hitchcock
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
When New York socialite Jo Slater catches her millionaire husband, Lucius, in their beach cabana with his mistress, he dies of a heart attack. Unfortunately for Jo, Lucius leaves everything to the other woman, Countess Monique de Passy. Forced to return to work, Jo becomes obsessed with revenge. Strong language. Bestseller 2002.

A Love of My Own RC 54842
by E. Lynn Harris
read by Peter Jay Fernandez
2 cassettes
Both Zola Norwood, the editor-in-chief of a hip African American magazine in New York City, and its gay CEO, Raymond Tyler, are looking for love and stability after their many years of disappointment. Sequel to *Any Way the Wind Blows (RC 53010)*. Explicit descriptions of sex and strong language. Bestseller 2002.

Midnight Voices RC 54849
by John Saul
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
Caroline Evans's husband is murdered while jogging in Central Park. When she meets the perfect Anthony Fleming, she remarries and moves her pre-teen children into his historic apartment building. Soon they begin having nightmares and hearing voices, leading her to suspect that the elderly inhabitants are not really harmless. Some violence. 2002.

Nights in Rodanthe RC 54857
by Nicholas Sparks
read by JoBeth Williams
1 cassette
To soothe her widowed daughter Amanda's grief, sixty-year-old Adrienne Willis tells the story of her own lost love. After her husband left her and their three children for another woman, Adrienne had a brief affair with a doctor that helped fill her emotional needs. 2002.

***Dream of Me/Believe in Me* RC 54858**
by Josie Litton
read by Colleen Delany
5 cassettes
In King Alfred's Britain, marriages between enemies are the only way to achieve peace. In *Dream of Me*, Viking warrior Wolf Hakonson marries the sister of Saxon Hawk of Essex and falls in love, while Lord Hawk reluctantly marries a Norse noblewoman in *Believe in Me*. Explicit descriptions of sex. 2001.

Come Back to Me RC 54859
by Josie Litton
read by Colleen Delany
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *Dream of Me/Believe in Me (RC 54858)*, King Alfred rules Britain and has achieved peace between the Norse and Saxons through marriage and other alliances. Viking Dragon Hakonson meets Saxon Lady Rycca and falls in love. Explicit descriptions of sex. 2001.

In His Arms: Coming to America, Book 3 RC 54865
by Robin Lee Hatcher
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
Pregnant Mary Malone arrives in New York from Ireland in 1897. The following year, after an unavoidable act of violence, she flees to Whistle Creek, Idaho. She falls in love with sheriff Carson Barclay and attends church with him—but hides her past. 2001.

Jerusalem Vigil: Zion Legacy, Book 1 RC 54875
by Bodie Thoene and Brock Thoene
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
Recounts the first five days of the newly created state of Israel, beginning on May 14, 1948, as Arabs and Jews fight to establish territorial lines. Among those working to build their new homeland are Moshe and Rachel Sachar. Followed by *Thunder from Jerusalem (RC 54876)*. 2000.

Dragons of a Fallen Sun: The War of Souls, Volume 1 RC 54880
by Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman
read by Jamie Horton
4 cassettes
In this trilogy that follows *Dragons of Summer Flame (RC 41425)*, many still remember the Chaos War. Now, for the heart and soul of the world itself, a new war begins. It will be guided by Mina, a mystic young woman who arrives out of a violent, magical storm. 2000.

The Year's Best Fantasy and Horror: Fifteenth Annual Collection RC 54888
edited by Ellen Datlow and Terri Windling
read by Annie Wauters
7 cassettes in 2 containers
Collection of forty-eight stories and poems ranging from fairy tales to gothic horror by such authors as Jeffrey Ford, Jane Yolen, Ursula LeGuin, and Gene Wolfe. Prefaced by an overview of 2001's works in this genre. Also includes a list of Honorable Mentions. Some descrip-

tions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2002.

Sons of the Sheik RC 54891
by E.M. Hull
read by Susan McInerney
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Sheik (RC 54081)*, Ahmed Ben Hassan and his wife, Diana, eagerly await the arrival of their English-reared son, Caryll. Meanwhile, son Ahmed falls in love with a young Moorish girl. Cultural differences divide the family. Some violence and some strong language. 1925.

The Lady Chapel RC 54892
by Candace M. Robb
read by Vanessa Maroney
3 cassettes
Local wool merchant is killed on Corpus Christi Day in fourteenth-century England. Owen Archer, former palace sleuth and current apothecary apprentice, is ordered by the Archbishop of York to return to his old occupation. Archer complies and is drawn into a web of murder and deceit. Violence. 1994.

The Rhinemann Exchange RC 54894
by Robert Ludlum
read by Christopher Walker
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Buenos Aires, 1943. Germany needs industrial diamonds for rockets and the United States needs a special gyroscope reliable at high altitudes. American spy David Spaulding and exiled Jewish financier Erich Rhinemann attempt the exchange amidst double crosses, assassinations, and erotic encounters. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1974.

Dantes' Inferno: A Dr. Sylvia Strange Novel RC 54903
by Sarah Lovett
read by Barbara Pinolini
2 cassettes
Psychiatrist Sylvia Strange of New Mexico travels to Los Angeles to assist in a serial bombing case. Although the chief culprit, John Dantes, is already incarcerated, a copycat or former protege is continuing his work. Sylvia meets anti-terrorism expert Edmond Sweetheart, who assists in the case. Violence and strong language. 2001.

Pardon Me, You're Stepping on My Eyeball! RC 54914
by Paul Zindel
read by Terence Aselford
2 cassettes (Reissue)
"Marsh" Mellow and Edna Shinglebox, both fifteen, meet in a therapy group at Curtis Lee High School. The two appear freaky and depressed, but when they take off on an adventure together, they help each other move toward self-acceptance. Some strong language. For junior and senior high readers. 1976.

Ombria in Shadow RC 54915
by Patricia A. McKillip
read by Corrie James
2 cassettes
The death of the prince of Ombria forces a power struggle. The prince named his young son as his successor, but his evil aunt Domina Pearl becomes the boy's regent. The prince's former mistress, the prince's nephew, and a sorceress join together to fight the oncoming darkness. For senior high readers. 2002.

Gwyneth and the Thief RC 54916
by Margaret Moore
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
England, 1202. Fifteen-year-old Lady Gwyneth of Haverleigh is desperate because her father is ill and his knights are gone. When she meets Gavin, a rugged thief who can fight, she coerces him into training the peasants to protect the castle. The two gradually fall in love. For senior high readers. 2002.

Slow Dollar RC 54924
by Margaret Maron
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
Judge Deborah Knott is enjoying the harvest festival in Colleton County, North Carolina, when she discovers the body of a carnival worker, who she later learns was her kinsman. She also falls in love with childhood buddy Dwight Bryant of the sheriff's department. Some strong language. 2002.

Partner in Crime RC 54929
by J.A. Jance
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Investigator J.P. Beaumont of Seattle and Joanna Brady of the Arizona sheriff's department combine forces to find the murderer of an artist who had been in a witness protection program. Some violence and some strong language. 2002.

Under the Andes RC 54930
by Rex Stout
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Early novel by the author, first published in the *All-Story Magazine* in 1914. Temptress Desirée Le Mire and brothers Paul and Harry Lamar search for lost treasure in a mysterious cave. They encounter Incas who have been deformed by living underground. Introduction by John McAleer. 1914.

The Crimson Petal and the White RC 54941
by Michel Faber
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
6 cassettes
London, 1870s. Sugar, a nineteen-year-old prostitute in her mother's brothel, yearns for a better life that seems almost within reach when perfume magnate William Rackham settles her in a private apartment. Rackham's lust and Sugar's ambitions don't stop there. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2002.

Purity in Death RC 54942
by J.D. Robb
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
In the summer of 2059 New York police detective Eve Dallas investigates a vigilante group that sends criminals a computer virus that literally kills its recipients. Eve and her husband, Roarke, suspect politicians may be involved. Explicit descriptions of sex, violence, and strong language. Bestseller 2002.

Blackwood Farm: The Vampire Chronicles RC 54945
by Anne Rice
read by David Hartley-Margolin
5 cassettes
Young vampire Quinn Blackwood pleads with Lestat for assistance against Goblin, his growing-ever-stronger doppelganger. Quinn's tale encompasses his ties to his ancestral home of Blackwood Farm, his romantic feelings for a Mayfair witch, and a far-flung quest to save

himself and his loved ones from Goblin. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2002.

A Summer to Remember RC 54986
by Mary Balogh
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes
Jilted bride Lauren Edgeworth agrees to pose as Viscount "Kit" Ravenberg's fiancée to thwart his family's arranged marriage plans for him. Grateful Kit promises her a last summer of adventure before she becomes an old maid, but complications arise when he falls in love with her. Explicit descriptions of sex. 2002.

By the Lake RC 54989
by John McGahern
read by Terry Donnelly
3 cassettes
The childless Ruttledges have retired from the business world in London to return to a small Irish village. In the course of a year, they build a new life, entering into the rhythms of the rural community and finding an equilibrium for themselves among the ambiguities of a vanishing way of life. 2002.

Lord Prestimion: The Majipoor Cycle RC 54991
by Robert Silverberg
read by Nick Sullivan
4 cassettes
In this sequel to *Sorcerers of Majipoor (RC 45856)*, Prestimion has become ruler—the new coronal—of Majipoor after the turmoil of a civil war so heartbreaking that a spell of oblivion was cast on the planet. But how can Prestimion punish the guilty if no one remembers the crime? 1999.

Green Calder Grass: Calder Saga, Volume 6 RC 54999
by Janet Dailey
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Calder Pride (RC 49785)*, Ty Calder has recovered from a kidnapping attempt and is expecting twins with his second wife, Jessy. But Ty's former wife, Tara, becomes increasingly jealous and tries to reclaim her ex. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2002.

Gruel and Unusual Punishment: A Pennsylvania Dutch Mystery with Recipes RC 55000
by Tamar Myers
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Magdalena Yoder investigates the murder of Clarence Webber, who is imprisoned locally and dies of arsenic poisoning after eating grits from her Mennonite inn. Among the list of suspects are many women Clarence conned money and favors from. Some strong language. 2002.

Retribution: A Lew Fonesca Novel RC 55004
by Stuart M. Kaminsky
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Sarasota process server Lew Fonesca again searches for teenage runaway Adele, last seen in *Vengeance (RC 50055)*. This time she's stolen a famous writer's unpublished manuscripts. As Fonesca pursues the girl and her boyfriend, two of the boy's relatives are murdered. Some violence and some strong language. 2001.

Last Act in Palmyra: A Marcus Didius Falco Mystery Novel RC 55010
by Lindsey Davis
read by George Holmes
3 cassettes
Rome, A.D. 72. Private investigator Marcus Didius and his lover, Helena, travel to Syria to search for a missing circus musician and to spy for the emperor. The two are accused of murder when they discover the body of a playwright. Follows *Poseidon's Gold (RC 41802)*. 1994.

A Finer End RC 55014
by Deborah Crombie
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
2 cassettes
Detective Duncan Kincaid and his lover, the newly promoted Gemma James, travel to Glastonbury to help Duncan's cousin, Jack Montfort. Jack, haunted by the spirit of a medieval monk, needs help when his friends' lives are endangered. 2001.

Island Dreamer RC 55016
by Robin Jones Gunn
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Christy travels to Hawaii for her sixteenth birthday where she practices her driving on the island roads. Paula, her friend from Wisconsin, joins the family, but Christy's new faith in God confuses her at first. For junior and senior high readers. 1992.

A Heart Full of Hope RC 55017
by Robin Jones Gunn
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Sixteen-year-old Christy is swept off her feet by Rick, a handsome Christian boy who wants to go steady with her. Her friendship with Todd makes her decision a difficult one. For junior and senior high readers. 1999.

Until Tomorrow: Christy and Todd; the College Years, Book 1 RC 55037
by Robin Jones Gunn
read by Nanette Savard
2 cassettes
Nineteen-year-old college student Christy Miller has been studying in Switzerland when her friends Katie and Todd join her for a vacation. Christy is jealous and unsure of her relationship with Todd—but puts her trust in God. For senior high and older readers. 2000.

Chasing the Dime RC 55050
by Michael Connelly
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Dr. Henry Pierce moves while in the midst of a computer technology battle and a fight for project funding. His new, and very busy, telephone number belonged to a dazzling online call girl, who seems to be missing. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2002.

The Janson Directive RC 55053
by Robert Ludlum
read by Chuck Benson
4 cassettes
Former government agent Paul Janson is enlisted to rescue Hungarian philanthropist Peter Novak, who has been kidnapped by an Islamic terrorist group led by the Caliph. Novak's mission is derailed by a traitor and leads to the discovery of a global political conspiracy. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2002.

Quentins RC 55054
by Maeve Binchy
read by Anne Flosnik
3 cassettes
Ella Brady has been a customer at Quentins since she was six years old. Now in her twenties and recovering from an affair, Ella turns her attention to producing a documentary about the increasingly successful restaurant, whose staff and customers exemplify Dublin's fortunes since the 1970s. 2002.

Visions of Sugar Plums RC 55055
by Janet Evanovich
read by Annie Wauters
1 cassette
Trenton, New Jersey, bounty hunter Stephanie Plum is searching for toy-store owner Sandy Claws, who skipped bail just before Christmas. Diesel, a mysterious stranger, appears at Plum's doorstep also seeking a lawbreaker. Together they deal with Plum's zany family, a parcel of elves, and the missing men. Strong language. Bestseller 2002.

Reversible Errors RC 55056
by Scott Turow
read by Jack Fox
3 cassettes
Kindle County attorney Arthur Raven is appointed to ensure that the decade-old murder case against retarded death row inmate Rommy Gandolph is air-tight before Gandolph's execution in a few weeks. But Raven uncovers problems with the evidence, and a dying inmate confesses to the crime. Strong language and some violence. Bestseller 2002.

The Crush RC 55058
by Sandra Brown
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Upon acquittal, hired killer Ricky Lozada becomes obsessed with the jury forewoman, Dr. Rennie Newton. Meanwhile Fort Worth detective Wick Threadgill, on leave from the department, seeks to avenge Lozada's murder of his brother. The policeman also falls for Rennie. Explicit descriptions of sex, violence, and strong language. Bestseller 2002.

Blood Orchid RC 55060
by Stuart Woods
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
Orchid Beach, Florida. Police chief Holly Barker and FBI agent Grant Early investigate the serial murders of potential buyers of a drug dealer's confiscated property. Sequel to *Orchid Blues (RC 53564)*. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2002.

Forever: A Novel of Good and Evil, Love and Hope RC 55065
by Jude Deveraux
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Darci Monroe considers herself lucky when she is hired as Adam Montgomery's well-paid personal assistant. She is unaware that she has special powers that Adam plans to use to help him discover what happened to his parents. Darci ends up offering more than Adam expects. Strong language. 2002.

Charleston RC 55066
by John Jakes
read by Margaret Strom
4 cassettes
Relates the lives, loves, and shifting for-

tunes of the fictional Bell family of Charleston, South Carolina, set against the history of the city from the American Revolution to the aftermath of the Civil War. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2002.

Cheating Lessons RC 55077
by Nan Willard Cappo
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
When sixteen-year-old Bernadette's high school debate team becomes a finalist in the state Classics Bowl, she suspects that someone cheated. As she investigates, she fears that her favorite teacher, Mr. Malory, might be the culprit. And her mother doesn't care. Some strong language. For junior and senior high readers. 2002.

Blue Shoe RC 55100
by Anne Lamott
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Mattie divorces her cheating husband and moves back home. While coping with her ailing mother and two children, she falls for her married pest exterminator. Simultaneously Mattie investigates her father's adulterous past—and relies on prayer. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2002.

The Hand of Dinotopia RC 55106
by Alan Dean Foster
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Dinotopia Lost (RC 43486)*, Will, Sylvia, and their protoceratops companion Chaz search for the legendary Hand of Dinotopia—which will supposedly reveal a safe sea route to and from the hidden island, where people and dinosaurs live together peacefully. For junior and senior high readers. 1999.

Pursuit RC 55108
by Lewis B. Patten
read by Gregory Gorton
1 cassette (Reissue)
When outlaws take over Buffalo Wallow, they quickly spread terror and death, forcing station master Casey Day to help rob the arriving stage coach. Townspeople suspect Casey is part of the gang. So to clear his name and take revenge, he swears to hunt down the murdering thieves. 1957.

The Man from Two Rivers RC 55109
by Luke Short
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette (Reissue)
Hobe Carew leaves town with a price on his head after shooting a couple of land-grabbing Lew Seely's boys. Carew swears to return and stir up the hottest gunfight Lew Seely or anyone else in Two Rivers has ever seen. 1974.

The Cheim Manuscript RC 55110
by Richard S. Prather
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Wilfred Jellicoe's the object of a manhunt by two different people—his ex-wife, Gladys, wanting her belated alimony; and his boss, notorious aging movie magnate Gideon Cheim, wanting back his own unpublished tell-all memoir from Jellicoe's custody. In hot pursuit is L.A. private investigator Shell Scott—hired by both parties. Some strong language. 1969.

Cherish RC 55114
by Catherine Anderson
read by Nanette Savard
3 cassettes
Colorado, 1868. Race Spencer, a gun-

slinger-turned-rancher, stumbles upon a ransacked wagon train of dead Quakers. The only survivor is pretty, shell-shocked Rebecca Morgan. Spencer takes the girl home and falls in love with her as she begins to heal. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1998.

The Ghosts of Elkhorn RC 55121
by Kerry Newcomb and Frank Schaefer
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Long ago, the Wind River Kid was a notorious gunslinger, but in 1927 he is a seventy-one-year-old hermit in a Colorado ghost town. Then his solitude is invaded by young lovers on the run from the mob's bag man, and he makes one last stand. Some strong language. 1982.

Chaff in the Wind RC 55124
by Edna Walker Chandler
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
In the spring of 1887, Swedish immigrants Ingrid and John Halgren worry about their wheat crop in the Kansas drought. Farming and raising a family in the new world demand all the stamina, perseverance, and faith they can muster. 1964.

The Three of Us RC 55126
by Cynthia Victor
read by Margaret Strom
3 cassettes
After a store robbery in which four people die, survivors Kip, Eloise, and Nora become best friends. They share their main regrets and are determined to turn their lives around. False starts, tragedies, and ultimately positive changes occur. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2002.

Lip Service RC 55131
by Suzanne Simmons
read by Colleen Delany
2 cassettes
Schuyler Grant inherits a Hudson River estate from her eccentric great-aunt Cora. Trace Ballinger, Cora's lawyer, who despises his wealthy clients, falls in love with the lovely heiress, while someone or something haunts the mansion—and wishes Schuyler gone. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2001.

Transcendence: The Second Demonwars Saga, Book 2 RC 55136
by R.A. Salvatore
read by Michael Scherer
4 cassettes
Brynn Dharielle and her trusted elven companion set out on a mission to free her beloved homeland from tyrannical rule. They face many dangers along the way, yet the knowledge they gain will have great impact on the future of Togai. Sequel to *Ascendance (RC 53545)*. Some violence. 2002.

Irresistible RC 55143
by Karen Robards
read by Anne Flosnik
3 cassettes
England, 1813. Following the Banning sisters' escape from libelous accusations in *Scandalous (RC 51766)*, Lady Claire Lynes is kidnapped by a band of spies. Claire and their leader, Hugh Battancourt, fall in love, but her marital status stands in the way of their future. Explicit descriptions of sex. 2002.

Enemy Within RC 55145
by Robert K. Tanenbaum
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
During an election year, New York district attorney Butch Karp contends with several shady situations, among them a serial killer stalks the homeless; Karp's wife, spitfire Marlene Ciampi, overreacts to getting rich in the stock market; and his daughter, Lucy, volunteers at a dicey soup kitchen. Violence and strong language. 2001.

Deep in the Shade of Paradise RC 55176
by John Dufresne
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Louisiana Power and Light (RC 40122)*, Grisham Loudermilk is marrying Ariane Thevenot in Shiverde-Freeze, Louisiana. But Grisham still sees his lover, Miranda, and his cousin, Adlai, falls in love with the bride. Meanwhile Father Pat is rethinking celibacy. Some strong language. 2002.

The Case of the Sun Bather's Diary RC 55178
by Erle Stanley Gardner
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Nude sunbather Arlene Duvall, a thief's daughter, has her clothes, car, and other belongings stolen. She hires Perry Mason to retrieve a diary containing secrets that can't be revealed. 1955.

A Fine and Bitter Snow RC 55180
by Dana Stabenow
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Park ranger Dan O'Brian, who disagrees with government oil exploration policies, finds his job in jeopardy. When a conservationist who supports O'Brian is murdered and a lodge owner inexplicably commits suicide, Alaska PI Kate Shugak tries to connect the dots. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2002.

The Man from Mustang RC 55182
by Max Brand
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette (Reissue)
When Arizona Jim Silver rescues Ned Kenyon from a prairie fire, neither man suspects the trouble ahead. Silver accompanies gangly cowboy Kenyon to Mustang to marry the all-too-perfect Edith Alton. A hired killer and the bride's abrupt departure lead Silver into action. 1933.

Thunderhead RC 55183
by Mary O'Hara
read by Jack Fox
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Ken McLaughlin is determined that Flicka's first foal will become a great racehorse. But the ugly white colt, a throwback to an albino grandsire, does not meet Ken's expectations. Sequel to *My Friend Flicka (RC 26642)*. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1943.

Murder at the President's Door: An Eleanor Roosevelt Mystery RC 55185
by Elliott Roosevelt
read by Janis Gray
2 cassettes
After a White House policeman is found murdered outside the president's bedroom door, Eleanor Roosevelt, Secret Service agent Stan Szczygiel, and D.C. police lieutenant Edward Kennelly quietly investigate. Their search leads to the underground world of organized crime. 2001.

When Duty Whispers Low RC 55186
by John J. Gobbell
read by Alec Volz
3 cassettes
The Pacific, 1943. Todd Ingram implores Jerry Landa, his commanding officer on the USS *Howell*, to use the new antiaircraft proximity fuses against Japanese dive bombers. Landa's reason for not using the fuses is personal: the results are deadly. Sequel to *A Code for Tomorrow (RC 48790)*. Some violence and some strong language. 2002.

The Case of the Perjured Parrot RC 55195
by Erle Stanley Gardner
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette (Reissue)
When eccentric millionaire Fremont Sabin is murdered in his mountain cabin, his talking parrot is replaced by a screaming imposter. Sabin's son, Charles, and his wife accuse each other. Charles hires attorney Perry Mason to find his father's killer. 1939.

Killing the Shadows RC 55210
by Val McDermid
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Psychological profiler Dr. Fiona Cameron is working in England (for the Spanish police) on a serial-killer case. Her British lover, Kit Martin, is a successful crime novelist whose life is jeopardized when someone begins murdering other such writers. Fiona races to uncover a suspect. Violence and strong language. 2000.

Bad Boy RC 55212
by Olivia Goldsmith
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Tracie thinks of Jon as just a friend; he's far too nerdy for her bad-boy tastes. At Jon's request, Tracie transforms his computer-geek appearance, and Jon becomes one of Seattle's most sought-after bachelors. Now Tracie must compete for Jon's attention. Descriptions of sex and strong language. 2001.

Blueberry Muffin Murder: A Hannah Swensen Mystery RC 55213
by Joanne Fluke
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Lake Eden, Minnesota, is hosting a winter festival, and bakery owner Hannah Swensen is the chief supplier of sweets. Celebrity television chef Connie Mac is hired to bake a cake but ends up being murdered in Hannah's kitchen. Hannah investigates with her sister Andrea's help. 2002.

Scrooge Wore Spurs RC 55219
by Janet Dailey
read by Faith Potts
2 cassettes
Indebted Arizona rancher Eben MacCallister expects to lose the family ranch in the new year. To make matters worse, his former fiancée Maddie Williams has returned to open a dude ranch on adjoining land and his estranged sister has passed away—leaving him with four orphans at Christmas time. Bestseller 2002.

Three Clams and an Oyster RC 55223
by Randy Powell
read by Michael Russotto
1 cassette
Seattle juniors Rick, Dwight, and Flint have been on a flag football team for years. They are forced to look for a fourth teammate when Cade becomes irresponsible. As they grade the contenders—including a girl—they also assess their relationships and character

flaws. Some strong language. For senior high readers. 2002.

Then Comes Marriage RC 55227
by Kasey Michaels
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes
With his good friends married, Brady James, the earl of Singleton, is feeling bored and jealous. When he is attacked and left for dead after a night of carousing, he plots his revenge with the help of the mysterious beauty Regina Bliss. Soon he is part of a more dangerous plot. Some descriptions of sex. 2002.

Never Too Late RC 55229
by Angela Thirkell
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes
Life in Barsetshire is back to normal after the shortages of the Second World War. Young Edith Graham, at loose ends, decides to attend school to learn how to run an estate properly; and spinster Miss Merriman receives a marriage proposal from an old friend. 1956.

I Wish I Had a Red Dress RC 55233
by Pearl Cleage
read by MaryBeth Wise
2 cassettes
Sequel to *What Looks like Crazy on an Ordinary Day (RC 46770)*. Joyce Mitchell, widowed social worker, dreams of celebrating life in the perfect red dress. When she meets the new vice principal, she is closer to her dreams than ever before. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2001.

Jack Frake: Sparrowhawk, Book One RC 55242
by Edward Cline
read by David Cutler
2 cassettes
Cornwall, England; 1744. Poor ten-year-old Jack Frake is educated by a kindly rector before joining smuggler Augustus Skelly's gang. After being caught and sentenced to hard labor, Jack is rescued by Captain John Ramshaw and transported to the American colonies to serve out his sentence. 2001.

The Mustangers RC 55255
by Lauran Paine
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
In 1935, two out-of-work ranch hands learn to hunt wild horses for Mormons in Utah. Their adventures take them to a Navajo reservation and to Mexico, where they trap horses for a dog food company. But gringos are not popular there, especially when favored by a wealthy señorita. Some strong language. 1999.

Lincoln's Ransom: A Western Story RC 55257
by Tim Champlin
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
In 1876, Secret Service agent Sterling Packard infiltrates Big Jim Kinealy's gang as it schemes to steal Abraham Lincoln's body from its tomb and hold it for ransom. The situation gets out of hand when Packard's entrapment plan goes awry, and the Jesse James gang becomes involved. 1999.

Eureka RC 55258
by William Diehl
read by Michael Russotto
3 cassettes
After World War II, former LAPD detective Zeke Bannon continues to investigate the nagging case of a woman suspiciously drowned in her bathtub. Bannon follows his leads to Eureka, California, and winds up in a world of

Old West shoot-outs and murderous political ambition. Some violence and some strong language. 2002.

The Tenth Commandment RC 55266
by Lawrence Sanders
read by Bob Askey
4 cassettes (Reissue)
Joshua Bigg, chief investigator at an offbeat law firm, discovers that the link between one client's apparent suicide and the disappearance of another is a widow-loving lay minister, Reverend Knurr. Bigg starts building a case against the missing suspect until he learns that Knurr is dead. Some violence. 1980.

The Dead Zone RC 55267
by Stephen King
read by Diane Eilenberg
3 cassettes (Reissue)
After an accident-induced four-year coma, a young New England school teacher awakens to find that he can see into the future. But his second sight proves to be more a horror than a blessing when it brings him face to face with an ambitious politician. Some strong language. 1979.

The Third Deadly Sin RC 55268
by Lawrence Sanders
read by Bob Askey
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Edward X. Delaney, retired chief of detectives of the New York police department, seeks a murderer whom he believes to be a bizarre psychopath. Killer X strikes exclusively in large hotels, kills only out-of-town businessmen, and wears a wig. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1981.

The Sixth Commandment RC 55269
by Lawrence Sanders
read by Merwin Smith
3 cassettes (Reissue)
When Nobel Prize winner Gordon Thorndecker, the head of a research laboratory, pushes his experiment far beyond theory, hard-boiled detective Sam Todd is assigned to investigate. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1979.

Prey RC 55273
by Michael Crichton
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Unemployed computer programmer Jack Forman stays home with the children while wife, Julia, works at a firm developing "molecular manufacturing," or nanotechnology. Hired as a consultant, Jack discovers that an experiment has gone horribly astray and that escaped swarms of tiny robots are feeding off flesh. Strong language and some violence. Bestseller 2002.

Going Home RC 55278
by Nora Roberts
read by Michele Schaeffer
3 cassettes
Three novellas in which women must rediscover the love of their families before they can embrace others. In *Unfinished Business*, world-renowned pianist Vanessa Sexton's renewed relationship with her mother allows her to return her childhood sweetheart's affection. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2002.

Twelve Mile Limit RC 55409
by Randy Wayne White
read by Michael Russotto
3 cassettes
Marine biologist Doc Ford investigates

the sinking of a scuba-diving boat on which his assistant, Janet, was a guest. The only survivor, Amelia, accompanies him on the mission, which leads to Colombia, Ford's former CIA territory. Strong language, some explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. 2002.

After the Quake: Stories RC 55415
by Haruki Murakami
read by Steven Carpenter
1 cassette
Six short stories set after the 1995 earthquake in Kobe, Japan, by the author of *The Wind-Up Bird Chronicle (RC 46636)*. In "Honey Pie," a shy writer has a second chance to marry the woman he has loved since university. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2002.

Samantha and the Cowboy RC 55425
by Lorraine Heath
read by Colleen Delany
1 cassette
Texas, 1866. Sixteen-year-old Samantha Reynolds pretends to be a boy in order to join a cattle drive so she can earn money for her family. After fellow wrangler Matthew Hart, a Civil War veteran, discovers the truth, they fall in love. For senior high readers. 2002.

The Jester RC 55455
by James Patterson and Andrew Gross
read by Neil Dickson
3 cassettes
French innkeeper Hugh de Luc joins the Crusades in 1096 but deserts after a year of carnage. Returning home with a few relics, he finds his village in ruins and his beloved wife a prisoner in the local duke's castle. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2003.

Lusitania RC 55539
by David Butler
read by Merwyn Smith
5 cassettes (Reissue)
Fictional account of 1915 bombing of the *Lusitania*, a passenger ship traveling from the United States to Europe, during World War I. Romance and political intrigue occupy the travelers until a German U-boat strikes, killing more than a thousand and throwing the rest into the sea. Explicit descriptions of sex. 1982.

The Second Deadly Sin RC 55540
by Lawrence Sanders
read by Ralph Bell
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Artist Victor Maitland is found stabbed to death in his studio. Ex-chief of detectives Edward Delaney and his boozy assistant probe for suspects in the tangled web of the artist's affairs. Some strong language. 1977.

The Final Deduction: A Nero Wolfe Novel RC 55541
by Rex Stout
read by James DeLotel
1 cassette (Reissue)
Archie Goodwin, confidential secretary to the brilliant detective and gourmet Nero Wolfe, narrates a baffling case involving the kidnapping of a rich woman's young husband and the mysterious murders of two people. 1955.

The Second Time Around RC 55614
by Mary Higgins Clark
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
Lynn Spencer asks financial reporter Carley DeCarlo, her stepsister, to investigate the case of Lynn's missing husband, Nick. His medical research company, which may have been on the

verge of discovering a cure for cancer, has been left nearly bankrupt by Nick's disappearance along with substantial corporate assets. 2003.

Books for Children

These books were recently sent to cooperating libraries. Cassette books, labeled with the code RC, play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Cassettes Nonfiction

A Smart Girl's Guide to Boys: Surviving Crushes, Staying True to Yourself, and Other Love Stuff RC 53184
by Nancy Holyoke
read by Miriam Wagner
1 cassette
Reassuring advice on friendship and being true to yourself at the stage when girls may become boy crazy. Discusses how to be friends with a boy and have a boyfriend, social situations, first kisses, peer pressure, and how to handle problems that may arise. For grades 5-8. 2001.

In the Line of Fire: Presidents' Lives at Stake RC 53198
by Judith St. George
read by Miriam Wagner
1 cassette
Discusses the assassinations of four American presidents: Abraham Lincoln, James Garfield, William McKinley, and John F. Kennedy. Also describes seven unsuccessful attempts on other U.S. chief executives. Briefly explains each leader's life and times and the criminals' reasons for their attacks. For grades 5-8. 1999.

The Good Fight: How World War II Was Won RC 53569
by Stephen E. Ambrose
read by Jake Williams
1 cassette
Chronologically relates the key events of the Second World War (1939–1945) as well as the social and economic history of the times. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 2001.

Global Warming: The Threat of Earth's Changing Climate RC 53788
by Laurence Pringle
read by Miriam Wagner
1 cassette
Explains the effects and problems of the warming of Earth's atmosphere. Discusses climate change, greenhouse gases, threat of rising seas, weather patterns, and reforestation, as well as the challenge of halting this trend. For grades 5-8. 2001.

Helen Keller RC 53971
by George Sullivan
read by Kimberly Schraf
1 cassette
Biography of the gifted woman who successfully dealt with her own disabilities while trying to better the lives of other deaf and blind people. Uses excerpts from Helen Keller's writings. For grades 3-6. 2000.

Woolly Mammoth: Life, Death, and Rediscovery RC 54354
by Windsor Chorlton
read by Gary Telles
1 cassette
Discusses the first recovery of a complete adult woolly mammoth and the difficulties of excavating it from Siberia. Explains what scientists have learned about where these giant plant eaters lived, how they spent their days, and why the species became extinct. For grades 4-7. 2001.

Earth's Place in Space RC 54633
by Roy A. Gallant
read by Mark Ashby
1 cassette
Relates the history of people's struggle to understand Earth's place in the universe, from the earliest myth-making to discoveries made possible by the Hubble telescope in outer space. For grades 5-8. 2000.

Meltdown: A Race against Nuclear Disaster at Three Mile Island; a Reporter's Story RC 54635
by Wilborn Hampton
read by Michael Russotto
1 cassette
A journalist recounts his coverage of a major news event: the 1979 nuclear accident in Pennsylvania. He explains the human errors and technological failures that led to the worst nuclear crisis in the United States and his responsibilities as a reporter. For grades 6-9. 2001.

Myanmar RC 54990
by Pauline Khng
read by Jake Williams
1 cassette
Provides an overview of the Southeast Asian country of Myanmar, formerly known as Burma, including information on geography, history, government, lifestyles, language, art, food, and relations with the United States. For grades 5-8. 2000.

Protestantism RC 54997
by Stephen F. Brown
read by Jake Williams
1 cassette
A narrative history of the Protestant branch of Christianity tracing its growth and customs from its beginnings in Europe in the Middle Ages to its role in the twentieth century. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2002.

Indonesia RC 54998
by Gouri Mirpuri and Robert Cooper
read by Jake Williams
1 cassette
Describes the history, geography, economy, religion, arts, and leisure pursuits of the largest archipelago in the world. Known for centuries as the "Spice Islands" of the East Indies, Indonesia is a culturally diverse nation. For grades 5-8. 2002.

Halloween RC 55079
by Alice K. Flanagan
read by Yolande Bavan
1 cassette
Explains how Halloween started; how it got its name; the custom of trick-or-treating; and why witches, black cats, and goblins are associated with this celebration. Offers ideas of things to do for others on Halloween. For grades 2-4. 2002.

Peaceful Plant-Eating Dinosaurs: The Iguanodonts, Duckbills, and Other Ornithopods RC 55083
by Thom Holmes and Laurie Holmes
read by Lewis Grenville
1 cassette
Discusses the features that make each of these dinosaur groups unique. Cov-

ers physical characteristics, reproduction, feeding, and defense habits, as well as general information on dinosaurs. For grades 5-8. 2001.

What Makes an Ocean Wave? Questions and Answers about Oceans and Ocean Life RC 55174
by Melvin Berger and Gilda Berger
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Short answers about sea water—waves, tides, salt; about life in the ocean—plankton, fish, mammals, and the food chain; and about the coast—beaches, wetlands, and reefs. For grades 3-6. 2000.

Copernicus: Founder of Modern Astronomy RC 55175
by Catherine M. Andronik
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Biography of Nicolaus Copernicus (1473–1543), born in Poland during the Renaissance. As a scientist who studied the skies, he developed the theory, since proved, that the Earth revolves around the Sun. Includes four science activities. For grades 4-7. 2002.

Science Fair Success Using Household Products RC 55187
by Salvatore Tocci
read by Richard Hauenstein
1 cassette
After explaining the scientific method and safety measures, the author—an experienced teacher—presents experiments involving common household items, such as soap, toothpaste, shampoo, skin lotion, talcum powder, vitamin C, aspirin, and detergent. For grades 6-9. 2002.

Cassettes Fiction

Polar Bears past Bedtime: Magic Tree House, Book 12 RC 53559
by Mary Pope Osborne
read by Gillian Green
1 cassette
The magic tree house whisks Annie and Jack off to the frozen Arctic. They meet polar bears, cracking ice, and a seal hunter with his dogsled and huskies. For grades 2-4. 1998.

Shakespeare's Scribe RC 53579
by Gary Blackwood
read by Gary Roan
2 cassettes
1602. In plague-ridden England, Widge, an orphan who's become an apprentice actor, goes on the road with Shakespeare's troupe. Along the way Widge learns more about his parents. Sequel to *The Shakespeare Stealer (RC 48421)*. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 2000.

Christmas in Camelot RC 53580
by Mary Pope Osborne
read by Gillian Green
1 cassette
On Christmas Eve, the magic tree house transports Jack and his sister, Annie, to King Arthur's castle in Camelot. They find the kingdom under a dark spell and undertake a quest to the Otherworld to restore joy to Camelot. For grades 2-4. 2001.

Strays like Us RC 53790
by Richard Peck
read by Graci Ragsdale Miller
1 cassette
Molly has been sent to live with her great-aunt Fay while her mother is in rehab. Next door, Will is staying with his grandparents and it is rumored that his father is in prison. They begin junior

high school in their new town feeling like strays. For grades 5-8. 1998.

My Brother Made Me Do It RC 53936
by Peg Kehret
read by Peggy Gilleland
1 cassette
As part of a fifth-grade assignment, Julie Welsh becomes a pen pal to eighty-nine-year-old nursing home resident Mrs. Kaplan. Julie describes her school and family life and her surprise when she is diagnosed with juvenile rheumatoid arthritis. For grades 4-7. 2000.

Daniel's Walk RC 54418
by Michael Spooner
read by Michael Kramer
1 cassette
1844. Fourteen-year-old Daniel leaves his aunt's farm in Missouri to search for his father, a French trapper living in the Rockies. He joins a wagon train and walks a thousand miles surviving hunger, beatings, kidnapping, and other dangers. But his father is not like the person he remembers. For grades 6-9. 2001.

Death Strike: Left Behind—the Kids, Volume 8 RC 54613
by Jerry B. Jenkins and Tim LaHaye
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
Continuing the action from *Busted! (RC 54612)*, Judd, Vicki, and the rest of the Young Trib Force struggle for their lives as the world crumbles. Judd's new goal puts the group in more danger, causing heartbreaking challenges. For grades 5-8. 2000.

The Search: Left Behind—the Kids, Volume 9 RC 54614
by Jerry B. Jenkins and Tim LaHaye
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
The Young Trib Force struggles to survive as World War III erupts in this sequel to *Death Strike (RC 54613)*. Judd, Vicki, and Lionel desperately search for their friend Ryan, attempting to rescue him before another air attack by the Global Community. For grades 5-8. 2000.

Sitti's Secrets RC 54620
by Naomi Shihab Nye
read by Mimi Bederman
1 cassette
A young girl living in the United States describes a visit with her grandmother ("sitti" in Arabic), who lives in a Palestinian village on the West Bank. For grades K-3. 1994.

Handel: Who Knew What He Liked RC 54627
by M.T. Anderson
read by Gillian Green
1 cassette
A stubborn little boy with a mind of his own is determined to be a musician, even though his father is against the idea. He grows up to be the famous eighteenth-century composer, George Frideric Handel. For grades 3-6. 2001.

Practice Makes Perfect for Rotten Ralph RC 54757
by Jack Gantos
read by Maxine Wasserman
1 cassette
Rotten Ralph's cousin, orange tabby Percy, practices his throwing skills before going to the carnival and wins many prizes for Sarah, Ralph's owner. Ralph didn't practice, but he wins prizes anoth-

er way—until Sarah finds out. For grades 2-4. 2002.

Harriet Spies Again RC 54768
by Helen Ericson
read by Susan McInerney
1 cassette
Harriet's former nanny, "Ole Golly," returns to stay with her while her parents are away. Soon Harriet is spying on her suspected criminal neighbors and trying to figure out if Ole Golly killed her husband. Companion to *Harriet the Spy (RC 44768)*. For grades 4-7. 2002.

Winnie Dancing on Her Own RC 54772
by Jennifer Richard Jacobson
read by Celeste Lawson
1 cassette
Vanessa, Winnie, and Zoe are three best friends who like to do everything together—until Vanessa and Zoe want to take ballet lessons even though Winnie doesn't like dancing. Should Winnie join the class to keep her friends? For grades 3-6. 2001.

The Story Tree: Tales to Read Aloud RC 54776
retold by Hugh Lupton
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
A collection of eight tales from different cultures: from Germany, "The Magic Porridge Pot"; from India, "Monkey-See, Monkey-Do"; from Norway, "The Three Billy Goats Gruff"; and from England, "The Little Red Hen." For grades K-3. 2001.

Tiger's Fall RC 54780
by Molly Bang
read by MaryBeth Wise
1 cassette
When Lupe falls out of a tree in her Mexican village, she is paralyzed from the waist down. Angry and feeling sorry for herself, Lupe goes to a center for disabled people, who help her realize that her life can still have a purpose. For grades 3-6. 2001.

Dear Whiskers RC 54786
by Ann Whitehead Nagda
read by Susan McInerney
1 cassette
Fourth-grader Jenny is discouraged when her second-grade pen pal turns out to be a new student named Sameera from Saudi Arabia, who does not speak English very well. But as they work together they slowly become friends. For grades 2-4. 2000.

Junie B. Jones and the Stupid Smelly Bus RC 54794
by Barbara Park
read by Susan McInerney
1 cassette
Junie B. is almost six years old and is starting kindergarten. She worries for a week about riding the yellow school bus and doesn't like her first trip on it at all. So she decides not to ride it home after school. For grades K-3. 1992.

The Wakefields of Sweet Valley RC 54866
by Kate William
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
The adventures of generations of the Wakefield family of California, from its first American immigrant to the 1960s. For grades 6-9. 1991.

The Wakefield Legacy: The Untold Story RC 54867
by Kate William
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
The story of the Wakefield family of Sweet Valley, California, describing how their ancestors immigrated to America

and the adventures each generation experienced. For grades 6-9. 1992.

Triss: A Tale from Redwall RC 54948
by Brian Jacques
read by Erin Jones
3 cassettes
Triss the squirrelmaid, Shogg the otter, and Welfo the hedgehog escape from slavery at Riftgard and are pursued across the sea toward Redwall by Princess Kurda—a pure ferret—her brother Prince Bladd, and a band of freebooters who seek the rumored treasure of Brockhall. For grades 5-8. 2002.

Summerland RC 54987
by Michael Chabon
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
Eleven-year-old Ethan Feld, the least gifted ballplayer on Clam Island, is recruited to be a hero and defend the fer-ishers in Summerland against giants, goblins, and a tough baseball team. He is assisted by his resolute friend, Jennifer T. Rideout, and assorted creatures. For grades 5-8 and older readers. Best-seller 2002.

Mennyms Alive RC 54994
by Sylvia Waugh
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
The Mennyms, a family of life-sized rag dolls, wake up to find their household has been moved. They are now in the care of an eccentric but loving antiques dealer who soon suspects their secret. Sequel to *Mennyms Alone (RC 44578)*. For grades 4-7. 1996.

On the Run: Left Behind—the Kids, Volume 10 RC 55006
by Jerry B. Jenkins and Tim LaHaye
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
In this sequel to *The Search (RC 54614)*, tragic news about friends sends Judd and Ryan to Israel to discover the truth. Back home, Vicki, Lionel, and the Young Trib Force plan another dangerous mission at Nicolae High. For grades 5-8. 2000.

Into the Storm: Left Behind—the Kids, Volume 11 RC 55048
by Jerry B. Jenkins and Tim LaHaye
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
A grief-stricken Young Trib Force hears scary details about the future in this sequel to *On the Run (RC 55006)*. While Judd hides, the others search for secret documents to use against the Global Community. For grades 5-8. 2000.

Runaway Radish RC 55080
by Jessie Haas
read by Yolande Bavan
1 cassette
Radish the pony enjoys helping little girls learn to ride, until they grow too big for him. Feeling lonely, he runs away. Judy and Nina find him and think of the perfect place for him. Beginning chapter book. For grades 2-4. 2001.

Birdbrain Amos RC 55107
by Michael Delaney
read by Annie Wauters
1 cassette
When Amos the hippopotamus advertises for a bird to rid him of pesky bugs, the tick bird who answers his ad creates a different set of problems by building a nest on Amos's head. For grades 3-6. 2002.

Just Ask Iris RC 55119
by Lucy Frank
read by Jacinda Bronaugh
1 cassette
Twelve-year-old Iris Diaz-Pinkowitz moves into a new apartment building and spends the summer getting acquainted with her neighbors, among them a "cat lady" and a boy in a wheelchair. Iris runs errands in order to buy her first bra and rallies everyone to have the elevator repaired. For grades 5-8. 2001.

Horse Sense: The Story of Will Sasse, His Horse Star, and the Outlaw Jesse James RC 55129
by Jan Neubert Schultz
read by Michael Russotto
1 cassette
Minnesota, 1876. Fourteen-year-old Will Sasse and his father join the posse to find Jesse and Frank James, after they rob the local bank and steal Will's mare, Star. Will's goal is to raise pleasure horses, and so he needs Star back. For grades 5-8. 2001.

House of Sports RC 55137
by Marisabina Russo
read by Erik Synnestvedt
2 cassettes
It means a lot for short, twelve-year-old Jim Malone to be on the school basketball team. He resents family obligations that involve his elderly grandmother and interfere with practice sessions. Various triumphs and tragedies on and off the court teach him the value of more than basketball. For grades 5-8. 2002.

Junie B. Jones and the Yucky Blucky Fruitcake RC 55148
by Barbara Park
read by Susan McInerney
1 cassette
Junie B., "in the grade of afternoon kindergarten," wants to win lots of prizes at the school carnival. But on Carnival Night Junie B. keeps losing at every game, until she goes to the Cake Walk. For grades K-3. 1995.

Junie B. Jones and That Meanie Jim's Birthday RC 55150
by Barbara Park
read by Susan McInerney
1 cassette
Junie B. has a fight with Jim and then is upset when he invites everyone in their class, except her, to his birthday party. She doesn't want to be the only one left out. But her family helps her to see the problem a different way. For grades K-3. 1996.

Junie B. Jones Loves Handsome Warren RC 55151
by Barbara Park
read by Susan McInerney
1 cassette
Junie B. and her best friends want to impress the new boy at school. Lucille wears fancy dresses and Grace shows how fast she can run. But when Warren is homesick, Junie B. finds her own way to be his friend. For grades K-3. 1996.

No Roses for Harry! RC 55194
by Gene Zion
read by John Polk
1 cassette (Reissue)
Harry is a white dog with black spots, and he does not like to wear his birthday-present sweater. Grandma knitted it with big roses on it. Harry finally loses

the sweater, but then Grandma comes to visit. For preschool-grade 2. 1958.

The Amazing Maurice and His Educated Rodents RC 55211
by Terry Pratchett
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes
Maurice, a talking cat; a group of intelligent rats with a dream; and Keith, a boy with a pennywhistle, run a great Pied Piper scam—until they reach Bad Blintz. Finding that town already being conned puts Maurice's gang in a quandary. For grades 6-9. 2001.

A Matter of Profit RC 55224
by Hilari Bell
read by Gary Telles
2 cassettes
Sick of the horrors of conquering beings on other planets, Ahvren wants to end his service as a soldier. He can do this and save his sister, Sabri, from an undesirable marriage if he can discover who is behind a rumored plot to assassinate the emperor. For grades 6-9. 2001.

Blubber RC 55238
by Judy Blume
read by Annie Wauters
1 cassette (Reissue)
Jill goes along with the rest of the fifth-grade class in tormenting an overweight classmate they nickname Blubber. Then Jill finds out what it's like to be the outsider when she also becomes a target. For grades 4-7. 1974.

The Thieves of Ostia: A Roman Mystery RC 55246
by Caroline Lawrence
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
In the Roman port of Ostia in A.D. 79, Flavia Gemina solves her first mystery with the help of unlikely friends. When Jonathan's pet and other dogs are found beheaded, Flavia wants to find out who is doing it and why. But sleuthing has its dangers. Some violence. For grades 5-8. 2001.

Extra Innings RC 55254
by Robert Newton Peck
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
When sixteen-year-old Tate's leg is shattered and most of his family killed in a private plane crash, he lives with his wealthy great-grandfather, who has an adopted African American daughter, Vidalia. Tate finds solace in her tales about her depression-era childhood traveling with a baseball team. For grades 6-9. 2001.

Tanglewood Tales RC 55264
by Nathaniel Hawthorne
read by Alexander Scourby
2 cassettes (Reissue)
A classic retelling of six Greek myths. Includes the tales of Theseus and the Minotaur, Hercules and the Pygmies, Cadmus and the dragon's teeth, Circe and Odysseus, Proserpina and the pomegranate seeds, and Jason and the golden fleece. For grades 5-8. 1853.

Seven Times Nine Equals Trouble! RC 55284
by Claudia Mills
read by John Polk
1 cassette
Third-grader Wilson has three weeks to pass all twelve times-table tests and worries he'll never do it. Holding the class hamster, Squiggles, calms Wilson down, and his parents help him practice multiplication at home, but it's Kipper, his brother in kindergarten, who helps in a special way. For grades 2-4. 2002.

Frog Face and the Three Boys: The Black Belt Series, Book 1 RC 55292
by Don Trembath
read by John Polk
1 cassette
Three seventh-graders are sent to the principal's office for different reasons. But Mr. Duncan (Frog Face) has the same solution for all three—attend karate class. Shy new student Jeffrey, belligerent Sidney, and fast-mouth Charlie actually begin to like their "punishment." For grades 4-7. 2000.

Earthquake! Left Behind—the Kids, Volume 12 RC 55368
by Jerry B. Jenkins and Tim LaHaye
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
This sequel to *Into the Storm (RC 55048)* witnesses events foretold in the Book of Revelation. The great "wrath of the Lamb" earthquake strikes the globe, and the friends in the Young Trib Force are scattered, wondering if they will ever reunite. For grades 5-8. 2000.

Darkening Skies: Left Behind—the Kids, Volume 18 RC 55386
by Jerry B. Jenkins and Tim LaHaye
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
Judd and Lionel entrust their safety to a boy whose father is in the Global Community in this continuation from *Terror in the Stadium (RC 55406)*. Other members of the Young Trib Force have their own fears for survival to deal with. For grades 5-8. 2001.

Nettie's Trip South RC 55388
by Ann Turner
read by Gail Nelson
1 cassette
A ten-year-old northern girl encounters the ugly realities of slavery when she visits Richmond, Virginia, and sees a slave auction. For grades 2-4. 1987.

Foreign Language Books

The following cassette titles are available in the languages designated.

Spanish

Master the GED en Español 2002: Estrategias Hechas y Probadas por Maestros para Obtener Notas Altas (Master the GED in Spanish 2002: Strategies Compiled and Tested by Teachers to Obtain High Grades) RC 52999
por Ginés Serrán-Pagán y otros
leído por Juan Ramírez
8 cassettes en 2 envases
Profesores especializados en programas de educación de adultos presentan la guía más actualizada de preparación para personas de habla hispana que desean tomar los examenes del GED. Incluyen muestras de examenes, repaso de las materias que se presentan en los examenes y consejos de estudio para adultos. (Specialists in adult education present a study guide for Spanish-speaking persons who wish to obtain the GED. Includes sample exams, a review of the subject areas, and advice on studying for the exams.) 1998.

Un Gato en el Palomar (Cat among the Pigeons) RC 54854
por Agatha Christie
leído por María Pino
2 cassettes
El detective Hercule Poirot afronta un caso difícil cuando un asesino serial aterroriza un colegio privado para señoritas. (Detective Hercule Poirot faces a challenging case when a serial killer terrorizes a private English school for girls.) 1980.

Asesinato en la Calle Hickory (Hickory, Dickory, Death) RC 54953
por Agatha Christie
leído por María Pino
2 cassettes
Hercule Poirot acomete un caso desconcertante que se trata de robos y asesino en una residencia para estudiantes de medicina. (Hercule Poirot tackles a case of several thefts and a murder in a student hostel.) 1955.

Desenmascaremos el Islam: Un Estudio Profundo de las Costumbres y Creencias Musulmanas (Unveiling Islam: An Insider's Look at Muslim Life and Beliefs) RC 54955
por Ergun Mehmet Caner y
Emir Fethi Caner
leído por María Pino
2 cassettes
Presenta un estudio objectivo de las creencias, ética, práctica, y costumbres del Islam. Los autores, hermanos criados como musulmanes sunnis y ahora profesores cristianos de teología, están en una posición única para comparar ambas religiones y ofrecer un base de conocimientos para poder abrir un diálogo productivo entre cristianos y musulmanes. (A look at the beliefs, practices, ethics, and customs of Islam by two brothers who were raised as Sunni Muslims and later converted to Christianity.) 2002.

La Novia Oscura (The Dark Bride) RC 54956
por Laura Restrepo
leído por María Pino
3 cassettes
Los días de pago los obreros de refinería bajan del monte al barrio de las mujeres y al burdel La Catunga. Aquí la exotica y sensual prostituta, Sayonara, embruja y encanta a los hombres, y ella domina este paraiso sórdido como una reina. Entonces, Sayonara se enamora de un hombre misterioso que nunca puede conquistar. (Every payday the workmen from the Colombian oil fields are drawn to the La Catunga brothel where they are entranced by the exotic and sensual prostitute Sayonara. Sayonara rules her squalid paradise like a queen, until one day she falls in love with a man she can never have.) 1999.

Criando a Nuestros Niños: Educando a Niños Latinos en un Mundo Bicultural (Raising Our Children: Educating Latino Children in a Bicultural World) RC 54958
por Gloria G. Rodríguez
leído por María Pino
4 cassettes
Una madre latina y doctora en educación familiar presenta un manual que incluye las investigaciones más actuales sobre la educación de niños. También incluye anécdotas personales, canciones, recetas, dichos y juegos diseñados a preservar el marco cultural y el ambiente familiar de niños latinos. (A Latina mother and specialist in family education presents a manual of information on child rearing. Includes personal anecdotes, songs, recipes, adages, and

games designed to preserve the cultural heritage and family integrity of Latino children.) 1999.

Magazines on Cassette

For a free subscription to these magazines, contact your cooperating library.

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Analog Science Fiction and Fact (11 issues)
Asimov's Science Fiction (11 issues)
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Bon Appétit (monthly)
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The *New York Times* Book Review (weekly)
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read by Ray Hagen
3 cassettes
Former president of New York's Lesbian and Gay Community Services Center challenges popular stereotypes in an interpretation of gay male experience and cultural patterns. Using personal observations and scientific, anthropological, and philosophical studies, Nimmons finds gays more community-service oriented and less violent and sexually jealous than heterosexuals. Strong language. 2002.

Word Freak: Heartbreak, Triumph, Genius, and Obsession in the World of Competitive Scrabble Players
RC 54488
by Stefan Fatsis
read by John Lescault
4 cassettes
As he progresses from living-room Scrabble player to expert, the author examines the subculture of people devoted to championship tournament play. Discusses the game's history, its international variants, and its controversial elements. Some strong language. 2001.

The Fifth Miracle: The Search for the Origin and Meaning of Life RC 54781
by Paul Davies
read by Gary Telles
3 cassettes
Physicist examines latest theories about where life may have originated. Discusses possibilities of biogenesis in the ocean depths, deep below Earth's surface, or even on Mars. Explores the topics of defining life and whether it exists elsewhere in the universe. 1999.

Sacred Bond: Black Men and Their Mothers RC 54782
by Keith Michael Brown
read by Chuck Young
2 cassettes
Personal accounts by thirty-six African American men from diverse backgrounds, age groups, and lifestyles depict the unique bond between them and their mothers—the relationship that these men acknowledge has had the greatest impact on their lives. Reflects on the women's courage, strength, and resilience. 1998.

Jackie's Nine: Jackie Robinson's Values to Live By; Courage, Determination, Teamwork, Persistence, Integrity, Citizenship, Justice, Commitment, Excellence RC 54787
by Sharon Robinson
read by Chuck Young
1 cassette
Baseball Hall of Famer's daughter illustrates nine values—including courage, determination, teamwork, integrity, citizenship, and justice—her father exemplified, using events from his own and others' lives. Includes commentary by and about Christopher Reeve, Muhammad Ali, and Michael Jordan. For junior and senior high readers. 2001.

Thanks for the Memories, Mr. President: Wit and Wisdom from the Front Row at the White House RC 54800
by Helen Thomas
read by Barbara Rappaport
2 cassettes
Longtime White House correspondent relates anecdotes about the nine presidents she's covered, from John F. Kennedy to George W. Bush, as well as the jokes and verbal sparring she enjoyed with them. 2002.

The F Word: How to Survive Your Family RC 55047
by Louie Anderson
read by Louie Anderson
1 cassette
Stand-up comedian, host of *Family Feud*, and author of *Dear Dad (RC 32893)* offers forty-nine tips for getting along in family situations. Interwoven are anecdotes from Anderson's own experience with ten siblings and an alcoholic father. Some strong language. 2002.

Tumbling After: Pedaling like Crazy after Life Goes Downhill RC 55166
by Susan Parker
read by Susan McInerney
2 cassettes
Memoir by a woman whose fiftyish physicist husband, Ralph Hager, became a C-4 quadriplegic in 1994, the result of a bicycling accident. Parker describes how, after years of active outdoor life in California, she learned to manage Ralph's physical and emotional needs—and to tend to her own. Some strong language. 2002.

Genius: A Mosaic of One Hundred Exemplary Creative Minds RC 55349
by Harold Bloom
read by Bill Wallace
6 cassettes
Hoping to "activate the genius of appreciation" in his readers, a prolific critic and professor explores literary excellence through the ages by examining the works of one hundred writers. Arranged in groups of five, Bloom's genius authors are presented in historical and cultural context. 2002.

Queen Bees and Wannabes: Helping Your Daughter Survive Cliques, Gossip, Boyfriends, and Other Realities of Adolescence RC 55407
by Rosalind Wiseman
read by Susan McInerney
3 cassettes
Advice to parents on raising teenage daughters and helping them handle the pitfalls that they may face. Cautions that "girls can be each other's worst enemies" and gives scenarios where adults can help. 2002.

1421: The Year China Discovered America RC 55526
by Gavin Menzies
read by Peter Johnson
3 cassettes
Former British submariner and amateur historian theorizes that the Chinese under the third Ming emperor Zhu Di explored Antarctica, Australia, and the Americas decades before the Europeans. Speculates that the emperor's eunuch admirals circumnavigated the globe between 1421 and 1423. 2002.

"I": The Creation of a Serial Killer RC 55579
by Jack Olsen
read by Ralph Lowenstein
2 cassettes
True-crime writer presents the product of his interviews with Keith Jesperson, the Happy Face Killer. Exploring how Jesperson became a serial murderer, Olsen discusses Jesperson's dysfunctional family and his career as a long-distance truck driver, which gave him access to his victims. Explicit descriptions of sex, violence, and strong language. 2002.

Lake Effect RC 55717
by Rich Cohen
read by Michael Kramer
1 cassette
A reflective, autobiographical account of coming-of-age in suburban Chicago in the 1980s, by the author of *Tough Jews (RC 46505)*. Cohen focuses on his close relationships with his father and his best friend, both of whom he deeply admired. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2002.

Suzanne Somers' Fast and Easy: Lose Weight the Somersize Way with Quick, Delicious Meals for the Entire Family! RC 55780
by Suzanne Somers
read by Sharon Murray
3 cassettes
Actress advocates cutting carbohydrate intake in order to lose pounds and maintain a healthy weight. Describes her lifestyle program and includes over one hundred simple, quick recipes for the whole family. Companion to *Suzanne Somers' Eat, Cheat, and Melt the Fat Away (RC 52463)* and others. Bestseller 2002.

Everyday Math for Dummies RC 55787
by Charles Seiter
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
Explains basic math skills needed for everyday living. Covers personal money and the management of checkbooks, credit cards, mortgages, taxes, and investments; reviews business math, including sales, percentages, and insurance; and provides a refresher in high-school algebra, geometry, and trigonometry. Also looks at sports and gambling, statistics, tipping, and recreational mathematics. 1995.

The Fannie Farmer Cookbook RC 55788
by Marion Cunningham
read by Kerry Cundiff
9 cassettes in 2 containers
Thirteenth revised edition celebrating the one hundredth anniversary of America's great classic cookbook. Includes chapters on outdoor grilling and preparing vegetarian dishes. Also contains some 325 ethnic and about 50 mi-

crowave recipes, in addition to the standard favorites. 1996.

Space Shuttle: The First Twenty Years RC 55789
edited by Tony Reichhardt
read by Tom Burch
2 cassettes
Seventy-seven astronauts who lived and worked on reusable orbiters from 1981 to 2001 reminisce about lift-off, weightless conditions, and reentry. 2002.

More Mirth of a Nation: The Best Contemporary Humor RC 55823
edited by Michael J. Rosen
read by L.J. Ganser
4 cassettes
Anthology of previously published American comic writing. Andy Borowitz summarizes Iowa's campaign for the 2000 presidential election, Tim Harrod proposes "Audiobooks for the Deaf," and Steve Martin discusses his own autobiography. Concludes with zany questions for reading groups. Sequel to *Mirth of a Nation (RC 51709)*. 2002.

Wittgenstein's Poker: The Story of a Ten-Minute Argument between Two Great Philosophers RC 55828
by David Edmonds and John Eidinow
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Examines a vehement exchange between influential Viennese philosophers Karl Popper and Ludwig Wittgenstein at a meeting of the Cambridge Moral Science Club in 1946. Investigates the accuracy of Popper's later account of Wittgenstein's brandishing a fireplace poker during their encounter—and illuminates the history of twentieth-century philosophy in the process. 2001.

Random Family: Love, Drugs, Trouble, and Coming of Age in the Bronx RC 55875
by Adrian Nicole LeBlanc
read by Erin Jones
3 cassettes
The author, who studied law, sociology, and journalism, provides an account of teenagers in the Bronx during the 1980s. By becoming personally involved, LeBlanc attained a firsthand understanding of how the teens' need for excitement, money, sex, and family led to drugs, sexual abuse, unwanted babies, and prison terms. Strong language. 2003.

Krakatoa: The Day the World Exploded—August 27, 1883 RC 55879
by Simon Winchester
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Author of *The Professor and the Madman (RC 46906)* chronicles "the most devastating volcanic event in modern recorded human history," a cataclysmic eruption in the Indian Ocean near Java that killed 36,000 people. Explains some of the disaster's political, religious, economic, psychological, and scientific consequences. Bestseller 2003.

The Law and Your Legal Rights: A Bilingual Guide to Everyday Legal Issues / La Ley y Sus Derechos Legales: Un Manual Bilingüe para Asuntos Legales Cotidianos RC 55884
by Jess J. Araujo
read by Robert Sams
5 cassettes
Provides an introduction to the U.S. legal system. Explains court procedures and laws governing contracts, consumers, benefit programs, professional ethics, bankruptcy, wills and trusts, the

workplace, landlords and tenants, the family, motor vehicles, crime, immigration, accidents, and personal injury. Bilingual book in English and Spanish. 1998.

Natural Capitalism: Creating the Next Industrial Revolution RC 55887
by Paul Hawken and others
read by Jake Williams
4 cassettes
Framework for transforming industrial development according to economically rational and ecologically sound principles. The authors maintain that "natural capitalism" can provide "more meaningful family-wage jobs, a better worldwide standard of living to those in need, and a dramatic reduction of humankind's impact upon the environment." Examines auto industry's successful application of "resource productivity." 1999.

Passion for Islam: Shaping the Modern Middle East; the Egyptian Experience RC 55889
by Caryle Murphy
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist examines the historical roots of Middle East unrest, exemplified in the development of modern Egypt. Explores issues of tradition and change in politics and culture. Discusses social, political, and economic factors in the resurgence of Islam, the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, and the dilemmas of regional governments. 2002.

Cape May Court House RC 55912
by Lawrence Schiller
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Journalist's account of a deadly accident that may have concealed a crime. In February 1997, Tracy Thomas died in a Ford Explorer in New Jersey, while husband Eric and her baby survived. Eric sued, claiming the vehicle's airbag killed Tracy. But Ford's attorneys uncovered evidence suggesting Eric may have murdered his wife. 2002.

Bones: Discovering the First Americans RC 55920
by Elaine Dewar
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
4 cassettes
A Canadian investigative journalist reassesses the origins of human habitation in the Americas. While anthropologists claim that Asians crossing the Bering Strait were the first arrivals, Dewar finds evidence in ancient remains that the Native American contention that they have always been here may be nearer the truth. 2001.

Tobacco: The Story of How Tobacco Seduced the World RC 55924
by Iain Gately
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Cultural history of how smoking an exotic plant influenced civilization. Discusses tobacco's uses and forms of consumption from Amerindian prehistory through twentieth-century mass production. Covers information on smoking's addictive qualities and its paraphernalia and on the global economic impact of the industry. 2001.

Spy: The Inside Story of How the FBI's Robert Hanssen Betrayed America RC 55925
by David Wise
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
Details the life and career of FBI counterintelligence agent Robert Hanssen,

who spied for the Russians for more than twenty years. Uses interviews with Hanssen's colleagues, family, and psychiatrist to ascertain the motives behind his betrayal. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2002.

The Theory of Everything: The Origin and Fate of the Universe RC 55940
by Stephen W. Hawking
read by Peter Johnson
1 cassette
Brilliant physicist outlines the history of the universe, from the big bang to black holes. Reviews past ideas about the universe and how it began. Discusses black holes, applying Einstein's general theory of relativity and quantum mechanics. Advances a "no boundary" conception of time and space that could lead to a unified theory. 2002.

Theodore Roosevelt: A Strenuous Life RC 55994
by Kathleen Dalton
read by Mary Kane
6 cassettes
Chronicles Teddy Roosevelt's personal life and political legacy. Emphasizes his struggle to overcome childhood illnesses, his adventurous spirit, and his dedication to family, depicting him as a rugged but complex man of contradictions. Discusses how his conservative political views evolved to embrace progressive social reforms. 2002.

The Church Supper Cookbook: A Special Collection of Over 375 Potluck Recipes from Families and Churches across the Country RC 56031
edited by David Joachim
read by Barbara Pinolini
2 cassettes
Collection of favorite family recipes from the best cooks in churches and neighborhoods across America, handed down from generation to generation. Provides family-size recipes for meats and seafood, soups, salads, vegetables, breads, cakes, pies, and cookies. Includes a section on cooking for big crowds. 2001.

Condi: The Condoleezza Rice Story RC 56035
by Antonia Felix
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
Biography of the forty-third U.S. president's national security advisor based on interviews with friends, family, and colleagues. Traces her rise to power from her 1954 birth in segregated Birmingham, Alabama, to her executive post in the George W. Bush White House. 2002.

Leap of Faith: Memoirs of an Unexpected Life RC 56048
by Queen Noor
read by Jill Fox
3 cassettes
Born in 1951 as Lisa Halaby, daughter of an Arab American family, Queen Noor of Jordan relates King Hussein's courtship; their 1978 marriage; her role as wife, queen, and mother; her work in improving the life of Jordanian women; and Hussein's role in the Middle East, including his frustrations with international diplomacy. Bestseller 2003.

The Pianist: The Extraordinary True Story of One Man's Survival in Warsaw, 1939–1945 RC 56049
by Wladyslaw Szpilman
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Jewish classical pianist recounts his experiences in the Warsaw Ghetto during the German occupation of Poland in

World War II. Szpilman details the loss of his family, atrocities he witnessed and suffered, the Jewish resistance, and his own survival through a combination of chance and personal resourcefulness. Violence. 1946.

Cassette Books, 2002 RC 56065
by National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped
read by Butch Hoover
4 cassettes
A catalog of talking books produced on cassette during 2002 for adult and young adult readers. The nonfiction and fiction sections list titles by subject categories. Separate listings identify young adult books, books in Spanish, and best-sellers. 2002.

You've Earned It, Don't Lose It: Mistakes You Can't Afford to Make When You Retire RC 56072
by Suze Orman
read by Janis Gray
2 cassettes
Using real-life stories to illustrate pitfalls, Orman offers recommendations for protecting retirement income and financial assets. Discusses advantages of trusts versus wills, joint tenancy with right of survivorship, estate taxes and probate costs, durable power of attorney, long-term health care insurance, joint and survivor benefits, and minimizing expenses/maximizing income. 1999.

Herbs and Spices RC 56073
by Jill Norman
read by Kerry Cundiff
3 cassettes
Expert on international food offers a guide to herbs and spices organized by aroma and taste. Describes how they are used in native cuisines and offers tips on buying, preparing, and storing them. Contains a section on recipes. 2002.

Greek Myths RC 56074
retold by Robert Graves
read by John Richardson
2 cassettes
Covers the creation myths; the legends of the great Olympians; the Theseus, Oedipus, and Heracles cycles; the Argonaut voyage; the tale of Troy; and more. Contains references to the classical sources and includes interpretations of myths in light of archaeological and anthropological research. 1955.

A Wilderness So Immense: The Louisiana Purchase and the Destiny of America RC 56080
by Jon Kukla
read by Lou Harpenau
3 cassettes
Describes decades of political intrigue and diplomatic negotiations leading to the 1803 Louisiana Purchase by President Thomas Jefferson. Explores the machinations of French and Spanish rulers, the actions of American entrepreneurs, and the effects of a Haitian rebellion that caused Napoleon to sell a vast North American territory. Some strong language. 2003.

The Woman Who Wouldn't Talk RC 56091
by Susan McDougal
read by Jill Fox
3 cassettes
Autobiography of the woman who refused to testify against Bill and Hillary Clinton during the 1996 Whitewater real estate investigation. McDougal recalls her childhood, marriage, and relationship with the Clintons. She explains why she remained silent during the

probe—a decision that earned her twenty-one months behind bars. Some strong language. 2003.

Handcrafted Soap RC 56092
by Delores Boone
read by Patricia McDermott
1 cassette
Describes the hot-process method of using an indirect heat source such as a slow cooker, an oven, or a double boiler to make luxurious soap at home. Includes instructions for twenty-eight recipes that can be personalized by adding oils, fragrances, and colors. 2002.

The Body Electric: An Anatomy of the New Bionic Senses RC 56093
by James Geary
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
Time magazine editor explores the science of implanting computer chips in the human body to repair and enhance the senses. Geary discusses how the "convergence of man and machine" affects the five senses and the mind—the sixth. He also addresses social and philosophical implications of bionic science. 2002.

The Sound of a Miracle: A Child's Triumph over Autism RC 56100
by Annabel Stehli
read by Carol Dines
2 cassettes
A mother's inspirational tale of a search for treatment for her autistic daughter, Georgie. After years of frustration with professionals who urged her to institutionalize the child, Stehli sought therapeutic intervention with a French audiologist, whose treatment virtually cured Georgie's condition. 1991.

Dereliction of Duty: The Eyewitness Account of How Bill Clinton Compromised America's National Security RC 56124
by Robert "Buzz" Patterson
read by Tom Burch
1 cassette
Military aide to the former president holds that "responsibility, commitment, and honor" and the "obligations of command and leadership" were missing in the Clinton White House. Patterson claims that certain events and decisions involving defense, intelligence, and foreign policy left the nation vulnerable to the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks. Bestseller 2003.

I Am the Central Park Jogger: A Story of Hope and Possibility RC 56125
by Trisha Meili
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
The victim of a 1989 brutal assault and rape in New York City recounts overcoming medical odds to become an inspiration to others suffering massive brain injury. Fourteen years after the attack, Meili discusses the aftermath of her trauma, her rehabilitation, and the reasons for finally going public with her story. Bestseller 2003.

Brotherhood of the Bomb: The Tangled Lives and Loyalties of Robert Oppenheimer, Ernest Lawrence, and Edward Teller RC 56138
by Gregg Herken
read by Jake Williams
4 cassettes
Historian examines the relationship between scientific research and American political goals as evidenced by three physicists during the development and deployment of the first atomic bomb in

World War II. Discusses their ambitions, views, ideals, and decisions concerning their loyalty to country, friends, and family. 2002.

Make Them Go Away: Clint Eastwood, Christopher Reeve, and the Case against Disability Rights RC 56139
by Mary Johnson
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
Journalist explores the backlash against the 1990 Americans with Disabilities Act and society's focus on medical treatment rather than equal opportunities. Discusses Clint Eastwood's decision to fight a lawsuit for access violations, Christopher Reeve's goal to walk again, and the proposed ADA Notification Act. 2003.

Absolute Beginner's Guide to Creating Web Pages RC 56142
by Todd Stauffer
read by Catherine Byers
5 cassettes
For a person with basic computer literacy, this manual explains HTML and XHTML standards for building Web pages and managing and augmenting sites. Discusses what is needed to get started, interactions with users, publishing tools, and the basics of JavaScript. 2002.

The Yale Guide to Women's Reproductive Health: From Menarche to Menopause RC 56145
by Mary Jane Minkin and Carol V. Wright
read by Kristin Allison
4 cassettes
Discusses gynecological issues and reproductive system events, including menstruation, menopause, contraceptives, pregnancy, abortion, miscarriage, sexually transmitted diseases, cancer, and other conditions. Also reviews some lifestyle issues that affect general health. 2003.

The End of Days: Fundamentalism and the Struggle for the Temple Mount RC 56149
by Gershom Gorenberg
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Israeli journalist examines how faith and apocalyptic beliefs fuel strife over Jerusalem. Discusses conflicting Christian, Islamic, and Jewish prophecies regarding the Temple Mount and explores the volatile link between nationalism and religion, particularly lore relating to a holy war and its global impact. 2000.

The Cat Who . . . Cookbook RC 56166
by Julie Murphy and Sally Abney Stempinski
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
Mother-and-daughter team presents a companion cookbook to the *Cat Who . . .* mystery series by Lilian Jackson Braun featuring Qwilleran and his Siamese felines, Koko and Yum Yum. Also includes recipes for the cats. 2000.

No Borders: A Journalist's Search for Home RC 56170
by Jorge Ramos
read by Jonathan Davis
3 cassettes
Autobiography of Emmy award-winning anchorman for Noticiero Univisión, America's largest and highest-rated nightly newscast in Spanish. Ramos depicts his life and journalistic career from the viewpoint of a Hispanic immigrant living between two worlds and in constant search of a place to truly call home. 2002.

American Medical Association Handbook of First Aid and Emergency Care RC 56181
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
Step-by-step family guide for dealing with injuries, illnesses, and medical emergencies, including instructions for administering CPR and first aid and treating sports injuries. Also offers advice on how to safeguard one's home and plan ahead. 2000.

The Faith: A History of Christianity RC 56182
by Brian Moynahan
read by Mitzi Friedlander
8 cassettes in 2 containers
British historian's survey of the "extraordinary journey that Christianity has made since the cross." Moynahan's account of defining events and people in Christianity includes the Disciples, the Crusades, the Reformation, Calvin and the Puritans, monks, papal attitudes, Darwin, Mormons, missionaries, slavery, witch-hunts, and televangelists. 2002.

Risk: A Practical Guide for Deciding What's Really Safe and What's Really Dangerous in the World around You RC 56186
by David Ropeik and George Gray
read by Richard Hauenstein
4 cassettes
Assesses the level of danger posed by nearly fifty hazards, including pollution, cancer, and biological weapons. The authors—a risk expert and a toxicologist—rely on science and statistical analysis to answer the question "What are the chances?" Provides tips on reducing risk and finding more information. 2002.

The Polio Paradox: Uncovering the Hidden History of Polio to Understand and Treat "Post-Polio Syndrome" and Chronic Fatigue RC 56193
by Richard L. Bruno
read by Richard Hauenstein
2 cassettes
Drawing on patient narratives and the latest medical research, clinical psychophysiologist describes reasons and treatments—including psychological—for fatigue and other problems experienced since the 1980s by survivors of polio before vaccines were available. Also addresses chronic fatigue, multiple sclerosis, fibromyalgia, Gulf War syndrome, spina bifida, and other disorders with fatigue symptoms. 2002.

Black Tents of Arabia (My Life among the Bedouins) RC 56202
by Carl R. Raswan
read by Richard Hauenstein
1 cassette
The author recounts his experiences as a young German living among the Bedouins of Arabia, "migrating, hunting, raiding, starving, and feasting with them." Raswan's recollections begin before WWI and span twenty-two years. He describes endearing friendships and a rich but unforgiving desert culture. Some violence. 1935.

Martin Luther: The Christian between God and Death RC 56203
by Richard Marius
read by Lou Harpenau
5 cassettes
Biography of the German reformation theologian Martin Luther (1483–1546). Discusses the role of the Catholic Church and Luther's intellectual development in the historical and social context of Europe during his lifetime. Ex-

plores writings by and about Luther to depict his theological impact on western civilization. 1999.

Overcoming Dyslexia: A New and Complete Science-Based Program for Reading Problems at Any Level
RC 56204
by Sally Shaywitz
read by Kerry Cundiff
3 cassettes
Yale neuroscientist and physician specializing in learning disorders explains the biological basis for difficulties in reading. Synthesizes the latest research and explains how dyslexic children can be taught to become good readers. Includes a grade-by-grade program and activities for parents to implement, and suggests ways to raise a child's self-esteem. 2003.

Personal Bankruptcy for Dummies
RC 56205
by James P. Caher and John M. Caher
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
Analyzes the pros and cons of Chapter 7 and Chapter 13 bankruptcy and how to successfully maneuver through the proceedings. Explains how to keep your possessions, deal with the IRS and bill collectors, handle divorce and student loans, and reestablish your credit. 2003.

John Paul Jones: A Sailor's Biography
RC 56207
by Samuel Eliot Morison
read by Richard Hauenstein
4 cassettes
Renowned naval historian reconstructs the life of the Scottish-born officer known as "the father of the U.S. Navy." Portraying Jones's complex patriotism, Morison describes his training as a merchant skipper in the West Indies, his commission in the Continental Navy, and his service in the Russian navy. Pulitzer Prize. 1959.

Martha Stewart's Hors d'Oeuvres Handbook RC 56209
by Martha Stewart
read by Kerry Cundiff
3 cassettes
Recipes for more than three hundred finger foods and appetizers including tea sandwiches, soups, canapés, drinks, and classic favorites. Includes ideas on menu and party planning, techniques, and ingredients and where to find them. 1999.

A History of Basketball for Girls and Women: From Bloomers to Big Leagues
RC 56210
by Joanne Lannin
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
History of women's basketball from its beginnings at Smith College in 1892—mere weeks after its invention—to the professional arena. Describes the changes in the game and its major players and coaches. For junior and senior high and older readers. 2000.

The Pushcart Prize XXVII: Best of the Small Presses, 2003 RC 56211
edited by Bill Henderson
read by Roy Avers
5 cassettes
Works by sixty-seven authors from fifty-two presses. A selection of the year's best poems, short stories, essays, and memoirs, many by writers new to the series. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2003.

Everything You Never Wanted Your Kids to Know about Sex (but Were Afraid They'd Ask): The Secrets to Surviving Your Child's Sexual Development from Birth to the Teens RC 56213
by Justin Richardson and Mark A. Schuster
read by Bruce Huntey
3 cassettes
A child psychiatrist and a pediatrician offer a guide for parents that could help them introduce and discuss sexual issues at the right age. 2003.

One Hundred and One Best Home Businesses RC 56215
by Dan Ramsey
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Brief suggestions on businesses that can be operated out of one's own home. Discusses basic job descriptions, skills and equipment needed, target audiences, and money matters. Includes examples and case studies. 2001.

The Veteran's Survival Guide: How to File and Collect on VA Claims RC 56216
by John D. Roche
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Veterans' advocate describes step-by-step procedures for filing successful claims with the Department of Veteran's Affairs (VA) for various federal benefits. Describes how to submit precise facts and details and provides perspectives on the VA's adjudication and appeal processes. 2002.

A Moral Reckoning: The Role of the Catholic Church in the Holocaust and Its Unfulfilled Duty of Repair RC 56217
by Daniel Jonah Goldhagen
read by Lou Harpenau
3 cassettes
Winner of Germany's Democracy Prize for *Hitler's Willing Executioners (RC 42039)*, Goldhagen argues that evasive tactics were used by Catholic Church leaders during the Holocaust. He asserts that institutionalized anti-Semitic Catholic doctrine provided justification for the Church's silence, and he demands moral restitution for the harm inflicted on Jews. 2002.

Anatomy of Greed: The Unshredded Truth from an Enron Insider RC 56218
by Brian Cruver
read by Jack Fox
3 cassettes
Former senior manager at Enron presents a personal view of the scandalous 2001 collapse of America's seventh largest company. Using evidence from surviving Enron documents and e-mails, news sources, and more than one hundred employees, Cruver reveals a surreal corporate culture that traded ethics for personal gain. Some strong language. 2002.

Protecting America's Health: The FDA, Business, and One Hundred Years of Regulation RC 56221
by Philip J. Hilts
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
An account tracing the evolution of the federal Food and Drug Administration, created in 1906 under President Theodore Roosevelt, into the "most important regulatory agency in the world." Describes the agency's duties and ac-

complishments, the influence of partisan politics, and various scandals and mishaps. Some strong language. 2003.

Chicken Soup for the Teenage Soul on Love and Friendship RC 56229
by Jack Canfield and others
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Companion to *Chicken Soup for the Teenage Soul (RC 44853)* and others. Offers anecdotes, poems, and short essays by teenagers about falling in love, breaking up, friendship, family, and growing up. For junior and senior high and older readers. Bestseller 2002.

Patriots: The Vietnam War Remembered from All Sides RC 56230
by Christian G. Appy
read by Ralph Lowenstein
6 cassettes
Compilation of oral histories from every faction involved in the Vietnam conflict provides insight into America's longest and most divisive foreign war. Among those interviewed were American veterans, Vietnamese soldiers and civilians, former policy makers, journalists, antiwar activists, and medical personnel. Historian Appy introduces each entry and provides context. 2003.

A Short History of Nearly Everything RC 56241
by Bill Bryson
read by Richard Hauenstein
4 cassettes
Curious about the composition of the physical world and wanting to make it understandable, Bryson explores science from the basic to the complex—from a proton and a protein to a quark and a quasar, and from nothingness to human beings. In the process, he discusses how scientists figured out known facts. Bestseller 2003.

Warrior Politics: Why Leadership Demands a Pagan Ethos RC 56244
by Robert D. Kaplan
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
Journalist focuses on present and future geopolitics, emphasizing lessons from selected classic philosophers—Sun-Tzu, Machiavelli, Hobbes, Kant—and contemporary scholars. Examines issues in ancient and modern international relations—such as war, strategy, power, and morality—that need to be addressed in the twenty-first century. Bestseller 2002.

Moneyball: The Art of Winning an Unfair Game RC 56245
by Michael Lewis
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
Author of *The New New Thing (RC 49256)* describes how Billy Beane, general manager of baseball's Oakland Athletics, helped the team come in first in the American League West in 2002. Examines Beane's use of computers, statistics, and scouting to achieve success despite a minor league budget. Strong language. Bestseller 2003.

Charlie Wilson's War: The Extraordinary Story of the Largest Covert Operation in History RC 56253
by George Crile
read by Robert O'Keefe
5 cassettes
Sixty Minutes producer relates the CIA's secret war in Afghanistan in the 1980s to prevent a Soviet takeover. Describes the efforts of Texas congressman Charlie Wilson and agency operative Gust Avrakotos to arm Islamic fundamentalist guerrillas who ultimately defeat the

Russians—and later form the Taliban. Violence and strong language. Bestseller 2003.

Nineteenth-Century European Art
RC 56257
by Petra ten-Doesschate Chu
read by Frank Coffee
5 cassettes
Art historian Chu traces the evolution of artistic works in the context of social and cultural trends from the mid-eighteenth century to roughly 1900. She also explores the impact of new technology on art forms, focusing mainly on painting and sculpture, and incorporates biographical sketches of individual artists. 2003.

Holocaust: A History RC 56258
by Debórah Dwork and
Robert Jan van Pelt
read by Lou Harpeneau
4 cassettes
Award-winning authors document the Jewish experience under German domination prior to and during World War II. They present the Holocaust in a broad historical context, locating precursors in upheavals of anti-Semitism and other cultural, religious, and political persecutions that have marked European history since the Middle Ages. Violence. 2002.

The Autoimmune Connection: Essential Information for Women on Diagnosis, Treatment, and Getting On with Your Life
RC 56259
by Rita Baron-Faust and Jill P. Buyon
read by Kerry Cundiff
3 cassettes
The authors discuss over twenty autoimmune diseases in women and explain how they interact with hormones. Includes information on testing and treatment for rheumatoid arthritis, lupus, thyroid irregularities, skin disorders, type 1 diabetes, bowel diseases, multiple sclerosis, blood and liver problems, and other conditions. 2003.

Who's Your Caddy? Looping for the Great, Near Great, and Reprobates of Golf RC 56286
by Rick Reilly
read by Erik Synnestvedt
2 cassettes
Humorous portrayal of *Sports Illustrated* writer's inept attempts at caddying for golfers of various abilities and temperaments. He includes stories about Jack Nicklaus, Bob Newhart, Deepak Chopra, Donald Trump, Casey Martin (who sued the PGA to use a cart), and blind player Bob Andrews. Strong language. Bestseller 2003.

A Million Little Pieces RC 56290
by James Frey
read by Gary Telles
4 cassettes
Memoir by a recovering alcoholic and drug addict, whose parents checked him into a Minnesota rehabilitation clinic as a last-step measure when he was twenty-three. Discusses his experiences there, including treatment methods he accepted and rejected to regain sobriety. Strong language. Bestseller 2003.

Cassette Books, 2001 RC 56303
by National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped
read by Lou Harpenau
4 cassettes
A catalog of talking books produced on cassette for adult and young adult readers during 2001. The nonfiction and fiction sections list books by subject categories. Separate listings identify books for young adult readers and for Spanish readers. 2001.

Domestic Violence RC 56306
edited by Tamara L. Roleff
read by Carol Dines
2 cassettes
Discusses the problem of violence in the home: its prevalence, causes, prevention, legal remedies, and its effect on children in the family. For senior high readers. 2000.

The Secrets of Inchon: The Untold Story of the Most Daring Covert Mission of the Korean War RC 56313
by Eugene Franklin Clark
read by Tom Burch
2 cassettes
Memoir of a successful U.S. espionage mission during the Korean War. In 1950, ahead of the invasion by General Douglas MacArthur's forces, Navy lieutenant Gene Clark and two South Korean officers scouted the harbor at Inchon. Under a two-week barrage of bullets, the three obtained vital information. Introduction by Thomas Fleming. Violence. 2002.

The Short Sweet Dream of Eduardo Gutiérrez RC 56314
by Jimmy Breslin
read by Alec Volz
2 cassettes
This sociological biography describes the plight of an illegal immigrant worker from Mexico who was killed at age twenty-one on a construction site in New York. His story exemplifies the exploitation of illegal aliens and reveals the politics behind it. 2002.

The Eagle's Shadow: Why America Fascinates and Infuriates the World RC 56315
by Mark Hertsgaard
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Hertsgaard explores complex, often paradoxical, perceptions of the United States that he gathered while visiting fifteen countries across Europe, the Middle East, Africa, and Asia prior to and just after the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks on America. 2002.

School Violence RC 56316
edited by Bryan J. Grapes
read by Carol Dines
2 cassettes
Series of essays that contemplate the problem of school violence in both urban and suburban settings. Discusses theories about causes of violence in schools and how to prevent it. Also includes personal narratives from victims of violence. Some strong language. For senior high readers. 2000.

Alcoholism RC 56317
edited by James D. Torr
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
Essays explore the problem of alcoholism, addressing such topics as the effectiveness of Alcoholics Anonymous, marketing by the liquor industry, effects on children and families, binge drinking in college, the disease theory of addiction, and government regulation. For senior high readers. 2000.

Killing Monsters: Why Children Need Fantasy, Super Heroes, and Make-Believe Violence RC 56322
by Gerard Jones
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes
A screenwriter and cultural critic examines the place of violent images in the games and entertainment of twenty-first-century children. Contends that make-believe violence, rather than fostering antisocial behavior, can provide children with the coping skills necessary to better understand themselves and to control their feelings. Some violence. 2002.

Hungering for America: Italian, Irish, and Jewish Foodways in the Age of Migration RC 56328
by Hasia R. Diner
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
History of three immigrant ethnic groups —Italian, Jewish, and Irish—and their distinctive responses to the abundance of food in America. Uses memoirs, journalism, and cookbooks to explore the ways each group made food a key part of their identity in the New World. 2001.

The Third World: Opposing Viewpoints RC 56343
edited by Laura K. Egendorf
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
Essays offer different opinions on issues facing Third World countries, such as overpopulation, AIDS, democracy, and foreign aid. Considers conditions in Africa, South America, and in the Middle East. For senior high readers. 2000.

Creature Comfort: Animals That Heal RC 56348
by Bernie Graham
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
British psychologist describes "the potential health benefits that can be derived from the company of a wide range of animals." Includes stories of successful animal-assisted therapy involving dolphins, guide dogs, horses, and cats. For senior high and older readers. 2000.

The South Beach Diet: The Delicious, Doctor-Designed, Foolproof Plan for Fast and Healthy Weight Loss RC 56409
by Arthur Agatston
read by Mark Ashby
2 cassettes
Description of a three-phase program developed by a Florida cardiologist to help his overweight patients. The plan involves eating the right carbohydrates and the right fats in order to correct the way the body reacts to foods that previously caused weight problems. Includes menu suggestions and recipes. Best-seller 2003.

The Boy and the Dog Are Sleeping RC 56420
by Nasdijj
read by Mark Ashby
2 cassettes
Native American author recounts his emotions in caring for Awee, an eleven-year-old Navajo boy with AIDS whom Nasdijj reluctantly adopts after his own son's death in *The Blood Runs like a River through My Dreams: a Memoir (RC 52065)*. He leaves the reservation —with its inadequate health service— to seek better medical treatment for Awee. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 2003.

The Game I'll Never Forget: One Hundred Hockey Stars' Stories RC 56421
selected by Chris McDonell
read by Steven Carpenter
3 cassettes
Collection of stories originally published in *Hockey Digest*, written by athletes from the 1940s to 2002 who describe the best hockey game they ever played. Includes reminiscences by Ken Dryden, Phil Esposito, Gordie Howe, Bobby Hull, and Bobby Orr, as well as lesser known players. For senior high and older readers. 2002.

Invisible Giants: Fifty Americans Who Shaped the Nation but Missed the History Books RC 56429
edited by Mark Carnes
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
Fifty prominent authors of the late twentieth century, including Rita Dove, Stephen Sondheim, Camille Paglia, Walter Shapiro, and Gloria Steinem, select and introduce forgotten heroes from the 18,000 historical figures found in the *American National Biography*. Many cite personal favorites who inspired their careers or conduct. 2002.

Aboman's Guide to Survival and Self-Reliance: Practical Skills for Interesting Times RC 56439
by J.A. Bigley
read by Erik Synnestvedt
2 cassettes
Advice on how to deal with challenges presented by unexpected equipment breakdowns, weather disasters, and other such events. The manual contains information on preparing for emergencies, troubleshooting household problems, and maintaining health through alternative medicine and herbal remedies. Also highlights wilderness survival skills. 2002.

The Majesty of the Law: Reflections of a Supreme Court Justice RC 56444
by Sandra Day O'Connor
read by Faith Potts
2 cassettes
The first female Supreme Court justice —and author of the bestselling memoir *Lazy B (RC 53655)*—reflects on the evolution of the American legal system, her experiences on the bench, and some landmark cases. Discusses former justices, the changing role of women, and the rule of law in the twenty-first century. 2003.

All Girls: Single-Sex Education and Why It Matters RC 56447
by Karen Stabiner
read by Andrea Frierson-Toney
3 cassettes
During the 1998–99 school year an investigative reporter examines two contrasting all-girl schools—an elite private facility in Los Angeles and a public school for the economically disadvantaged in New York City. Reports on academic, social, and sports events throughout the year and interviews teachers, students, and their families. 2002.

The Art of Deception: Controlling the Human Element of Security RC 56450
by Kevin D. Mitnick and
William L. Simon
read by Steven Carpenter
3 cassettes
Notorious hacker turned legitimate computer security analyst Mitnick offers advice on resisting the efforts of malicious information thieves. Presents probable scenarios from the viewpoints of both

the attacker and the victim, discussing why the con was successful and how it could have been thwarted. 2002.

Fraud of the Century: Rutherford B. Hayes, Samuel Tilden, and the Stolen Election of 1876 RC 56458
by Roy Morris
read by Ted Stoddard
2 cassettes
Examines the presidential election that pitted Ohio Republican governor Rutherford Hayes against New York Democratic governor Samuel Tilden in America's centenary year. An electoral commission declared Hayes the winner after disputed southern returns and four months of backroom political intrigue by both parties. 2003.

Reading *Lolita* in Tehran: A Memoir in Books RC 56459
by Azar Nafisi
read by Annie Wauters
3 cassettes
Former professor of English literature in Iran relates her experiences after resigning her university post in 1995 but continuing to teach seven female students who met secretly at her home each week to discuss literary classics. Nafisi describes how the women, reacting to the Islamic republic's intolerance, resisted oppression and embraced free thought. 2003.

Joint Inquiry into Intelligence Community Activities before and after the Terrorist Attacks of September 11, 2001: Report of the U.S. Senate Select Committee on Intelligence and U.S. House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence Together with Additional Views RC 56474
by U.S. Congress
read by Butch Hoover
5 cassettes
Official U.S. government report on efforts of American intelligence agencies charged with protecting national security. 2002.

Chicken Soup for the Sister's Soul RC 56495
edited by Jack Canfield and others
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Collection of first-person narratives celebrating the unique bonds between sisters—and sometimes between sisters and brothers. Chapter headings include "A Sister's Love and Support," "Sibling Revelry," "Overcoming Obstacles," and "Sisters by Heart." Bestseller 2002.

Treason: Liberal Treachery from the Cold War to the War on Terrorism RC 56497
by Ann Coulter
read by Colleen Delany
3 cassettes
Conservative commentator and author of *Slander (RC 54437)* continues her analysis of liberal politics, arguing that Democrats work against American interests. Coulter claims that "whenever the nation is under attack, from within or without, liberals side with the enemy." Discusses McCarthyism, the Cold War, and Vietnam. Bestseller 2003.

Benjamin Franklin: An American Life
RC 56501
by Walter Isaacson
read by Ted Stoddard
4 cassettes
Chronicles the life of founding father Benjamin Franklin (1706–1790) from his shopkeeper beginnings to his dealings with Europe's aristocracy during the American revolution. Examines Franklin's ability to continually reinvent himself as scientist, diplomat, writer, and political thinker and considers how his vision of a national middle class identity is significant in twenty-first-century America. Bestseller 2003.

Invisible Eden: A Story of Love and Murder on Cape Cod RC 56502
by Maria Flook
read by Margaret Strom
3 cassettes
Reconstruction of events surrounding the still-unsolved murder in January 2002 of forty-six-year-old fashion writer and single mother Christa Worthington in the remote Cape Cod community of Truro, Massachusetts. Examines the high-profile victim's lifestyle, possible suspects—including her toddler's philanderer father, his jilted wife, an ex-prostitute, and even Worthington's own father—and the ensuing investigation. 2003.

The Yosemite Murders RC 56511
by Dennis McDougal
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Reconstructs the 1999 murders near the California national park of Carole Sund; her fifteen-year-old daughter, Juli; their friend, sixteen-year-old Argentine exchange student Silvina Pelosso; and naturalist Joie Armstrong. Traces the investigation by the authorities and explores the motives of the killer, handyman Cary Stayner. Some violence and some strong language. 2000.

Jordan RC 56521
by Hal Marcovitz
read by Yolande Bavan
1 cassette
A history of the Middle Eastern nation of Jordan and a discussion of its role in contemporary politics. Describes the rule of King Hussein from 1951 until his death in 1999. For junior and senior high readers. 2003.

The Kurds RC 56522
by Heather Lehr Wagner
read by Yolande Bavan
1 cassette
A discussion about the Kurdish people, including their history and contemporary status in the Middle East. Describes their political, economic, and social standing as a distinct ethnic group in Iraq, Iran, and Turkey. For junior and senior high readers. 2003.

Cries in the Desert RC 56561
by John Glatt
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
Chronicles the crimes and trial of David Parker Ray of Sierra County, New Mexico, who for decades abducted women for sadomasochistic torture before murdering them. In 1999 Ray, then fifty-nine, was finally arrested along with his accomplices, his fiancée and his daughter. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2002.

Advice on Dying: And Living a Better Life RC 56568
by Dalai Lama
read by Ted Stoddard
1 cassette
The Dalai Lama draws upon a seventeenth-century poem, credited to the First Panchen Lama, to explore the eight stages of death. For each stage he discusses how to enrich life on earth, prepare for death, and die without fear. Translated and edited by Buddhist scholar Jeffrey Hopkins. 2002.

Body Marks: Tattooing, Piercing, and Scarification RC 56570
by Kathlyn Gay and
Christine Whittington
read by Christopher Walker
1 cassette
Traces the history of "skin art"—tattoos and body piercings—from prehistoric times through the present. Discusses the health issues and social ramifications of such practices. For junior and senior high readers. 2002.

Cassettes Fiction

Ashes of Victory: Honor Harrington, Volume 9 RC 53966
by David Weber
read by Madelyn Buzzard
5 cassettes
Honor Harrington has escaped from prison and returned injured but alive from her alleged execution reported in *Echoes of Honor (RC 53965)*. Her presence boosts the Manticoran Alliance's morale in their continuing war as Harrington again tests her mettle. Some strong language. For senior high and older readers. 2000.

The Black Moon: A Novel of Cornwall, 1794–1795 RC 54185
by Winston Graham
read by Graeme Malcolm
3 cassettes (Reissue)
The Warleggans and the Poldarks continue their feud although two younger members fall in love with each other. And the threat of war with France intrudes. Sequel to *Warleggan (RC 54184)*. 1973.

The Four Swans: A Novel of Cornwall, 1795–1797 RC 54186
by Winston Graham
read by Graeme Malcolm
3 cassettes (Reissue)
On the day that he stands for Parliament in 1797, Ross Poldark reflects on the four women in his life. They are in part responsible for the remorse he feels at a time when he should be elated. Sequel to *The Black Moon (RC 54185)*. 1976.

The Angry Tide: A Novel of Cornwall, 1798–1799 RC 54187
by Winston Graham
read by Graeme Malcolm
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Ross Poldark is a successful lord of the manor, a new member of Parliament, and the owner of two mines. George Warleggan, lifelong rival of the Poldark clan, sets into motion political and financial intrigues that could destroy all Ross has struggled for. Sequel to *The Four Swans (RC 54186)*. 1977.

A Rogue's Proposal RC 54299
by Stephanie Laurens
read by Kristin Allison
3 cassettes
1820, Suffolk. When Demon Cynster—determined not to follow the married footsteps of his fellow Cynsters—encounters the lovely and independent Fe-

licity Parteger, he is drawn into her investigation of horse race fixing. Completely beguiled, Demon finds himself scheming to marry her. Sequel to *Scandal's Bride (RC 54298)*. Descriptions of sex. 1999.

Summer of Storms RC 54777
by Judith Kelman
read by Kimberly Schraf
3 cassettes
Thirty-three-year-old photographer Anna Jameson returns to work in New York City three decades after her sister Julie was murdered there during a hurricane. As she investigates the past and uncovers family secrets, she becomes a target of the killer, who is still very much alive. Some violence and some strong language. 2001.

Sharpe's Devil: Richard Sharpe and the Emperor, 1820–1821 RC 54863
by Bernard Cornwell
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Richard Sharpe comes out of retirement in 1820 to search for an old friend missing in revolutionary Chile. Sharpe and his favorite sergeant, Patrick Harper, pursue their perilous mission in a land seething with revolt and political intrigue. Some violence and some strong language. 1992.

Stones of Jerusalem: Zion Legacy, Book 5 RC 54879
by Bodie Thoene and Brock Thoene
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
New City Jerusalem, 1948. The Old City has fallen, but Israeli leader Moshe Sachar remains hidden in the tunnels below. Opening more of the sacred scrolls he discovered in *The Jerusalem Scrolls (RC 54878)*, Moshe learns more about Miryam and Marcus, who were caught up in the corrupt politics of the Roman Empire. 2002.

Dragons of a Vanished Moon: The War of Souls, Volume 3 RC 54882
by Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman
read by John Horton
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *Dragons of a Lost Star (RC 54881)*, the flames of war devour Ansalon, while Mina and her army of dead souls march on toward conquest. A small band of heroes, from which two unlikely protagonists emerge, leads a fight against Mina. 2002.

Prodigal Father: A Father Dowling Mystery RC 55008
by Ralph M. McInerny
read by John Horton
2 cassettes
Father Dowling is on a retreat at the Order of St. Athanasius—an institution wealthy in Chicago real estate but poor in personnel, having only seven remaining priests. When an ex-priest is murdered on the grounds, suspects include the staff, a benefactor's grandson, and the dead man's former business partner. 2002.

Tempest Rising RC 55044
by Diane McKinney-Whetstone
read by Tracy Mickens-Hundley
2 cassettes
Three middle-class preteen African American sisters are thrust into the foster-home system in 1960s Philadelphia after their father dies and their mother is hospitalized. Mae, a gambler, leaves them to the care of her grown daughter, Ramona, but the dysfunctional setting causes the girls to run away. Strong language. 1998.

Hotel Transylvania: A Novel of Forbidden Love RC 55204
by Chelsea Quinn Yarbro
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
Introduces the series on nobleman le Comte de Saint-Germain, a vampire, as he catches the eye of lovely Madelaine de Montalia. In the dazzling society of mid-eighteenth-century Paris, the couple struggle with their desires while battling a coven of devil worshipers who seek to destroy Madelaine's soul. 1978.

An Unsuitable Job for a Woman RC 55215
by P.D. James
read by Jennifer Mendenhall
2 cassettes
Cordelia Gray, twenty-two, inherits a London detective agency from her former partner along with the reopened case of a young man whose death has been officially classified as a suicide. 1977.

Depraved Indifference RC 55303
by Robert K. Tanenbaum
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
While Butch Karp, a New York district attorney, prosecutes Croatian terrorists for killing a policeman, the CIA, the FBI, and the Catholic Church campaign to free them. Karp's assistant and lover, Marlene Ciampi, assists the investigation, which leads back to World War II atrocities. Violence and strong language. 1989.

Queen's Ransom: A Mystery at Queen Elizabeth I's Court Featuring Ursula Blanchard RC 55403
by Fiona Buckley
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Lady-in-waiting Ursula Blanchard travels to France to fetch an orphaned relative, her journey a clever ruse to cover delivering a secret letter from Queen Elizabeth to Queen Catherine. Ursula's enemies await her—as does her second husband, Frenchman Matthew de la Roche. Some violence and some strong language. 2000.

The Hand That Rocks the Ladle: A Pennsylvania Dutch Mystery with Recipes RC 55404
by Tamar Myers
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Mennonite innkeeper Magdalena Yoder's Amish cook, Freni, is about to become the grandmother of triplets. When her daughter-in-law delivers twins, Freni insists that a baby is missing. Magdalena investigates and uncovers some fishy business at the hospital. 2000.

Mozart's Wife RC 55456
by Juliet V. Waldron
read by Celeste Lawson
3 cassettes
Fictionalized life of Konstanze Marie Weber, Wolfgang Mozart's wife. Recounts Konstanze's progress from child to wife to widow, bearing Mozart six children, managing his unsteady and often debt-laden household, mythologizing him posthumously, and later creating a new life on her own. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2001.

To Catch a Spy: A Toby Peters Mystery RC 55502
by Stuart M. Kaminsky
read by John Lescault
2 cassettes
California, 1944. Toby Peters, P.I. to the stars, is hired by Archibald Leach to exchange cash for an envelope. Leach, a.k.a. Cary Grant, is a British spy seeking Nazi sympathizers among Hollywood's elite. Peters investigates further when his contact is murdered. Some strong language. 2002.

Star Wars: The New Jedi Order; Traitor RC 55504
by Matthew Stover
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
Coruscant has been captured and the galaxy fears nothing can stop the Yuuzhan Vong. Yet Jacen Solo is still alive. Or is he? Jacen is being held in the Embrace of Pain by Vergere, a creature of mystery and power, and her plans are unknown. Some violence. 2002.

Star Wars: The New Jedi Order; Destiny's Way RC 55505
by Walter Jon Williams
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
Coruscant's fall left the New Republic divided by internal strife. Yet they refuse to surrender to the Yuuzhan Vong, especially when there is a chance to defeat them. But a weapon designed by the Jedi's enemies could destroy the New Republic. Sequel to *Traitor (RC 55504)*. Some violence. 2002.

204 Rosewood Lane RC 55516
by Debbie Macomber
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
Grace Sherman continues to wonder about her husband's disappearance, but accepts that life goes on. She discusses the latest Cedar Grove marriages, divorces, and expectant parents. Sequel to *16 Lighthouse Road (RC 55515)*. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 2002.

The Secret Life of Bees RC 55533
by Sue Monk Kidd
read by Robin Miles
2 cassettes
South Carolina, 1964. Fourteen-year-old Lily rescues her African American housekeeper—and substitute mother—Rosaleen, from the hospital. Rosaleen had been beaten for trying to register to vote. They flee to a safe place where Lily's battered late mother had also fled—a beekeeping operation run by three black sisters. Some strong language. 2002.

Honorable Company: A Novel of India before the Raj RC 55644
by Allan Mallinson
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
1815. Captain Matthew Hervey is sent to India to assess the "serviceableness of the nizam's forces." This mission of substance is supposed to mend fences with the rajah, but involves espionage, plunder, and conspiracy. Sequel to *A Close Run Thing (RC 55643)*. 2000.

A Haunting Refrain: Helen Bradley Mysteries RC 55712
by Patricia H. Rushford
read by Judith Ann Gantly
2 cassettes
Helen Bradley leaves her home in Oregon for the San Juan Islands to assist her wealthy elderly uncle, Paddy O'Donnell, who claims someone is trying to kill him. When Paddy dies, Helen has her hands

full sorting out suspects, including his children and housekeeper. Some violence. 1998.

Evolution RC 55734
by Stephen Baxter
read by Suzanne Toren
5 cassettes
A story of evolution woven into the tale of two friends journeying to Darwin, Australia, in 2031 to attend a conference on how we got to be humans. A series of vignettes beginning sixty-five million years ago reveals our lineage from proto-primates to humans to robots to extinction. Violence. 2002.

Reap the Wind: Wind Dancer Trilogy, Book 3 RC 55743
by Iris Johansen
read by Michele Schaeffer
3 cassettes
France, 1990s. Caitlin Vasaro allows a mysterious stranger to fund her perfume line in return for control of the campaign. When the Wind Dancer statue arrives for the promotion, a murderous plot forces Caitlin to reevaluate her loyalties. Sequel to *Storm Winds (RC 55742)*. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some violence. 2002.

The Crown of Silence: Magravandias Chronicles, Book 2 RC 55745
by Storm Constantine
read by MaryBeth Wise
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *Sea Dragon Heir (RC 55744)*, fifteen-year-old Shan survives the raid on his village by the Magravands. He is rescued by the wizard Taropat, a.k.a. Khaster Leckery, and is trained to help recover the Crown of Silence. Violence and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2001.

Back Story RC 55751
by Robert B. Parker
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
Boston P.I. Spenser agrees to help actress Daryl Silver investigate the murder of her mother twenty-eight years ago during a bank robbery. Spenser and colleague Hawk face danger when they uncover ties between a radical hippie group, the mob, and the FBI. Violence and strong language. Bestseller 2003.

Circle of Stars: Druid Circle, Volume 2 RC 55818
by Anna Lee Waldo
read by George Holmes
5 cassettes
Continues Madoc's adventures with twelfth-century Druids begun in *Circle of Stones (RC 49532)*. When Christians force the Druids out of Wales, Madoc and his companions sail to the New World. There his tale intertwines with that of Cougar, a Native American maiden. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2001.

The Mamur Zapt and the Return of the Carpet RC 55843
by Michael Pearce
read by George Holmes
2 cassettes
In 1908 Cairo, British rule is threatened by emergent Egyptian nationalism. Police captain Cadwallader Owen, the Mamur Zapt—head of the CID—investigates an assassination attempt on Nuri Pasha. Because of the upcoming celebration of the Return of the Holy Carpet from Mecca, Owen fears an onslaught of political terrorism. 1988.

Star Wars: The New Jedi Order; Agents of Chaos I, Hero's Trial RC 55844
by James Luceno
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Han Solo, grief-stricken over Chewbacca's death, again becomes a loner, risking the loss of family and friends. Learning an old acquaintance has sided with the enemy, placing the Jedi in danger, Han must face his inner demons and honor Chewbacca's sacrifice. Followed by *Agents of Chaos II, Jedi Eclipse (RC 52417)*. 2000.

All Rivers to the Sea: The Galway Chronicles, Volume 4 RC 55845
by Bodie Thoene and Brock Thoene
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Ashes of Remembrance (RC 55838)*, peace and prosperity have finally blessed Ballynockanor. In spite of plots against him, Joseph Burke returns home to Kate. Then the potato famine hits Ireland and the lives of all the villagers hang in the balance. 2000.

The Mamur Zapt and the Night of the Dog RC 55847
by Michael Pearce
read by George Holmes
2 cassettes
Captain Owen, the Mamur Zapt, or head of the secret police in Cairo, Egypt, tries to prevent a religious feud between Coptics and Moslems. He is also caught between two women—one British, the other Egyptian. Sequel to *Mamur Zapt and the Return of the Carpet (RC 55843)*. 1989.

A Golden Sunbeam: Miriam's Journal, Volume 5 RC 55851
by Carrie Bender
read by Jill Ferris
1 cassette
Amish Miriam, last seen in *A Treasured Friendship (RC 55840)*, continues her journal detailing Martha's arrival from Germany, Dora's departure on a mission assignment, and a wrongful accusation of child abuse. 1996.

The Braxtons of Miracle Springs RC 55852
by Michael Phillips
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Miracle Springs, California; 1867. Corrie Belle Hollister marries Christopher Braxton, a former pastor, and they settle down near her family. But Corrie's father and brother must deal with enemies from their outlaw days seeking revenge. Corrie trusts in God that they will survive. 1996.

Queen of Ambition: An Ursula Blanchard Mystery at Queen Elizabeth I's Court RC 55853
by Fiona Buckley
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Cambridge, England; 1564. Queen Elizabeth I plans to spend time at King's College in Cambridge while touring her kingdom one summer. Spy Ursula Blanchard is dispatched undercover as a baker—to discover any plots to harm the monarch during her stay. Some violence and some strong language. 2002.

The Dark Highlander RC 55859
by Karen Marie Moning
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
In the sequel to *Kiss of the Highlander*

RC 55858), Daegus MacKeltar, back from the sixteenth century having saved his twin brother, now must exorcise the thirteen demons that possess his own soul. Antiquities student Chloe Zanders comes to his aid—and becomes caught up in an ancient prophecy. Explicit descriptions of sex. 2002.

An Honorable Man RC 55860
by Rosemary Rogers
read by Colleen Delany
3 cassettes
Jackson Logan once broke Cameron Campbell's heart. Now he has returned to her Mississippi home to inform her family of the impending Civil War. Cameron uses Jackson—whom she comes to love again—as an ally in her stand against slavery. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2002.

Tropic of Night RC 55874
by Michael Gruber
read by Jill Fox
4 cassettes
Miami Afro-Cuban detective Jimmy Paz is investigating a series of gruesome murders when he encounters anthropologist Jane Doe. While in Africa, Jane and her husband had discovered a secret village where they learned witchcraft. Now Jane is hiding from her husband, who is using his magic powers for evil. Violence and strong language. 2003.

Cosmopolis RC 55876
by Don DeLillo
read by Jack Wallen
1 cassette
One April morning in 2000, young, outrageously wealthy Eric Packer enters his stretch limo to cross Manhattan for a haircut. The errand—which is to last all day—becomes an existential journey, revealing Packer's complex business life, personal concerns, and eroded values. Strong language, some explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. Bestseller 2003.

The Last Hero: A Discworld Fable RC 55895
by Terry Pratchett
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
Cohen the Barbarian is not happy about growing old. Hoping for a reprieve from death, he sets out with aging heroes on a final quest to return fire to the gods, a journey that could mean the end of the world. Some violence. For senior high and older readers. 2001.

The Collected Stories of Jack Schaefer RC 55897
by Jack Schaefer
read by Bob Askey
4 cassettes
Thirty-two short stories set in the American West, written between 1948 and 1963 by the author of *Shane (RC 52058)*. Many portray the men and women who shaped the western frontier in the late nineteenth century. 1966.

The Monkey Handlers RC 55908
by G. Gordon Liddy
read by Chuck Benson
3 cassettes
Lawyer Michael Stone, an ex-Navy SEAL, represents Sara Rosen, an animal activist arrested for trespassing at a pharmaceutical plant. Her incriminating photographs of the animal research lab threaten to expose the German owners, who will do anything to stop her. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1990.

The Dosadi Experiment RC 55915
by Frank Herbert
read by J.P. Linton
2 cassettes (Reissue)
In his latest assignment, Saboteur Extraordinary Jorj X. McKie is sent to planet Dosadi to investigate an experiment that has gotten out of hand. Humans and Gowachin have been confined there in overcrowded conditions, and an interstellar war is imminent. Companion to *Whipping Star (RC 55885)*. 1977.

***The Satyricon* by Petronius; *The Apocolocyntosis* by Seneca RC 55937**
read by Gordon Gould
2 cassettes
Two classic works translated from the Latin and introduced by J.P. Sullivan. *The Satyricon* describes the racy adventures of an educated, pleasure-seeking rogue in Nero's Rome. *The Apocolocyntosis* is a satire in prose and verse in which the author attempts to win Nero's favor by ridiculing his predecessor, Claudius. 1986.

Stranger in a Strange Land RC 55938
by Robert A. Heinlein
read by Richard Davidson
5 cassettes (Reissue)
Born and raised on Mars, Valentine Michael Smith returns to Earth unfamiliar with its cultural and social customs. Tutored in earthly matters by Jubal Harshaw, Smith evolves into a messianic figure preaching free love. Original unabridged version. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. Hugo Award. 1961.

One More for the Road: A New Story Collection RC 55939
by Ray Bradbury
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
Twenty-five short stories—eighteen newly published—by the author of *The Martian Chronicles (RC 26787)*. In "Heart Transplant," a man and a woman spending the night together in a hotel room each make a wish for the other to fall back in love with the respective spouse. 2002.

Sojourn: Dark Elf Trilogy, Book 3 RC 55950
by R.A. Salvatore
read by Michael Russoto
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Exile (RC 55949)*, Drizzt Do'Urden begins his sojourn on the surface of Toril, a world completely different from Underdark. But learning to live in a new environment and interact with its inhabitants does not come easily. Violence. 1991.

Black Powder, White Smoke RC 55967
by Loren D. Estleman
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
1880s. Louisiana freed slave Honey Boutrille kills to save a prostitute's life; California career criminal "Twice" Emerson kills for pleasure. Pursued by law men and those driven to exploit their murderous reputations, both fugitives attempt to hide in the West. Violence, some descriptions of sex, and some strong language. 2002.

Born Confused RC 55988
by Tanuja Desai Hidier
read by Kimberly Schraf
4 cassettes
Dimple Lala, born in America to par-

ents from India, suffers from an identity crisis and growing pains during her seventeenth summer. She must contend with her best friend, Gwyn, who is trying to usurp both her heritage and a young man who has come into their orbit. Some strong language. For senior high and older readers. 2002.

The Riddle of St. Leonard's RC 55998
by Candace Robb
read by David Cutler
2 cassettes
York, England; 1369. The citizenry, besieged by the plague, require the attentions of Owen Archer and his wife, Lucie, the apothecary. Archer, royal master spy, must investigate suspicious deaths, missing treasures, and a strange riddle at St. Leonard's Hospital. 1997.

No Second Chance RC 56020
by Harlan Coben
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
Dr. Marc Seidman has been shot, his wife has been murdered, and his infant daughter has been abducted. Eighteen months after a failed ransom attempt, Marc is contacted again, but this time he bypasses the authorities and enlists the help of his ex-girlfriend Rachel Mills—a former FBI agent. Violence and strong language. Bestseller 2003.

Postcards from No Man's Land RC 56042
by Aidan Chambers
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
Jacob's first trip to Holland from England is both a personal adventure and a family responsibility to visit his grandfather's grave from World War II. His contemporary travels are juxtaposed with the experiences of Geertrui—the young woman who loved his grandfather in 1944. Some descriptions of sex. For senior high readers. Printz Award. 1999.

The Sinister Pig RC 56045
by Tony Hillerman
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette
The FBI takes over Tribal Police sergeant Jim Chee's case, which began with the discovery of an unidentified murder victim at a Navajo reservation oil field. Both customs patrol officer Bernadette Manuelito and retired lieutenant Joe Leaphorn become involved before the solution is found. Bestseller 2003.

Shutter Island RC 56046
by Dennis Lehane
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
The strange events of four days in late summer 1954, when two U.S. marshals arrive on tiny Shutter Island to investigate a female patient's disappearance from a locked room in the asylum for the criminally insane. And that is only one aspect of the case. Some strong language. 2003.

Likely to Die RC 56075
by Linda Fairstein
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Someone sexually assaulted and then murdered Dr. Gemma Dogen in her hospital office. In search of the killer, Alexandra Cooper, head of the Manhattan district attorney's sex crimes unit, interrogates the doctor's colleagues and patients. Explicit descrip-

tions of sex, violence, and strong language. 1997.

Cold Pursuit RC 56077
by T. Jefferson Parker
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
San Diego detective Tommy McMichael investigates the murder of elderly Portuguese millionaire Pete Braga—even though McMichael's Irish family has had a longtime feud with the Bragas. As McMichael uncovers the old man's secrets, he falls in love with the main suspect. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2003.

The Coffee Trader RC 56082
by David Liss
read by Richard Hauenstein
3 cassettes
Amsterdam, 1659. Miguel Lienzo, a Jew who fled his native Portugal to seek religious freedom, loses his fortune in the stock market. When a gentile Dutch widow approaches him with a scheme to manipulate the price of coffee, Miguel joins the conspiracy to restore his lost riches. Some strong language. 2003.

Between Brothers RC 56083
by C. Kelly Robinson
read by Alec Volz
3 cassettes
Four African American men, college housemates and mentors at Washington, D.C.'s Ellis Community Center, fight to save the facility, which is struggling to stay open. In addition to their personal problems, they must confront a notorious drug dealer who will do anything to shut the center down. Strong language. 1999.

Sister, Sister RC 56084
by Donna Hill and others
read by Sharon Murray
2 cassettes
Three short stories dealing with estranged African American sisters. In "Thicker Than Water," Angela returns home when Gayla becomes ill. In "Loving Lola," Sandra raises her irresponsible sibling's son. In "Best Left Unsaid," model LuAnne keeps a secret from Rhonda until a pregnancy brings them closer. Some strong language. 2001.

Bone Key RC 56085
by Les Standiford
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Miami contractor John Deal is in Key West on business when he finds the body of a young waiter in his hotel room. While investigating, Deal discovers that valuable wine, recovered from a ship abandoned in 1931, is in great demand and could help solve the crime. Violence and strong language. 2002.

Light Music RC 56086
by Kathleen Ann Goonan
read by Erin Jones
3 cassettes
2115. Crescent City loses vital navigational information during an attack, and former engineer Jason Peabody—now Radio Cowboy—must restore the data. Accompanied by brilliant scientist Dania Cooper, he journeys to postnanotech America while pilgrims gather and the city prepares for launch. Sequel to *Mississippi Blues (RC 51753)*. Some violence. 2002.

Money for Nothing RC 56096
by Donald E. Westlake
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes
After cashing mysterious $1,000 monthly checks for seven years, New York ad executive Josh Redmont discovers that he's a sleeper spy for the former Soviet Union. When ordered to assassinate an eastern European politician, Josh tries to find an escape from his predicament and to save his family. Some violence. 2003.

Rogue Warrior—Violence of Action RC 56101
by Richard Marcinko
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Rogue Warrior—Detachment Bravo (RC 53460)*, the Rogue Warrior and a tenacious counterterrorist crew set out to locate and neutralize a suitcase nuke that is armed to annihilate Portland, Oregon. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 2002.

Princess in Waiting RC 56102
by Meg Cabot
read by Erin Jones
1 cassette
Mia, last seen in *Princess in Love (RC 54037)*, travels to Genovia to perform her royal duties over winter break. Returning to New York, she continues lessons with her grandmère, suffers a second semester of algebra, and tries to keep her boyfriend. For junior and senior high readers. 2003.

Love with the Proper Husband RC 56120
by Victoria Alexander
read by Vanessa Maroney
2 cassettes
Impoverished twenty-year-old governess Gwendolyn Townsend returns to England in 1820 to discover that her late father has left her some money and an arranged marriage. She also finds her three orphaned nieces. For their sakes, Gwen reluctantly marries—but hesitates to tell her husband about them. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2003.

The Usurper's Crown: Isavalta, Volume 2 RC 56122
by Sarah Zettel
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
4 cassettes
Sorcerer Avanasy, banished mentor of princess Medeoan of Isavalta, falls in love with Ingrid Loftfield while exiled in Wisconsin. Ingrid agrees to go along when Medeoan beckons him back to his homeworld to save the crown from her treacherous husband. Sequel to *A Sorcerer's Treason (RC 54461)*. Some descriptions of sex and some violence. 2003.

The Visitant: The Anasazi Mysteries, Book 1 RC 56130
by Kathleen O'Neal Gear and W. Michael Gear
read by Bob Askey
3 cassettes
Among the ancient Anasazi ruins of Chaco, New Mexico, archaeologist Dusty Stewart discovers disturbing remains of brutally beaten women. Mysteries from past and present converge as a war chief in the ancient civilization struggles to solve serial murders of his

people. Prequel to *The Summoning God (RC 56152)*. Some violence. 1999.

Cat in a Diamond Dazzle: A Midnight Louie Mystery RC 56133
by Carole Nelson Douglas
read by J.P. Linton
3 cassettes
Las Vegas publicist Temple Barr, torn between two lovers, attends a romance writers convention with a friend. When one of the male cover models is murdered, Temple and her cat, Midnight Louie, investigate with the help of police lieutenant C.R. Molina. 1996.

Casino Royale: A James Bond Novel RC 56134
by Ian Fleming
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
In this first novel about British Secret Service agent 007, James Bond faces a challenging assignment—to beat Communist agent Le Chiffre at baccarat. Complicating the situation is an opponent who will stop at nothing to win and a beautiful but suspiciously vague young woman. 1953.

The Snares of Death RC 56135
by Kate Charles
read by George Holmes
2 cassettes
Solicitor David Middleton-Brown and his lover, amateur sleuth Lucy Kingsley, arrive at the village of South Barsham to help young vicar Stephen Thorncroft, who's accused of murdering infamous evangelical Reverend Robert Dexter. Among the victim's many enemies, however, are his own family, animal rights activists, and his parishioners. 1992.

Death in Dublin RC 56143
by Bartholomew Gill
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
A dangerous gang of criminals called the New Druids steal the ancient Book of Kells from the library at Trinity College, Dublin, and kill a guard. Chief superintendent Peter McGarr suspects an inside job and continues to investigate even after he is pulled off the case. Violence and strong language. 2003.

Blood Junction RC 56146
by Caroline Carver
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Journalist India Kane travels to the outback in New South Wales to visit her childhood friend, Lauren Kennedy. She arrives only to be accused of murdering Lauren and a cop. So India investigates, uncovering a corrupt cosmetic corporation and discovering her ancestral family in the process. Violence and strong language. 2001.

Streams of Silver: Icewind Dale Trilogy, Book 2 RC 56151
by R.A. Salvatore
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Crystal Shard (RC 56127)*, dwarf Bruenor, barbarian Wulfgar, halfling Regis, and elf Drizzt face monsters and magic on their journey to Mithril Hall. As they each deal with their own individual problems, Bruenor's dreams and the group's survival depend on young Catti-brie. Violence. 1989.

The Summoning God: The Anasazi Mysteries, Book 2 RC 56152
by Kathleen O'Neal Gear and W. Michael Gear
read by Bob Askey
4 cassettes
Northwestern New Mexico. In about the twelfth century, Browser, War Chief of the Katsinas people, discovers a village with everyone slaughtered. Eight centuries later, those remains puzzle archaeologist Dusty Stewart. Browser uncovers the truth in his day, and Dusty's team pieces together the fate of the ancient people. Sequel to *The Visitant (RC 56130)*. Violence. 2000.

The Salmon of Doubt: Hitchhiking the Galaxy One Last Time RC 56154
by Douglas Adams
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
Editor Peter Guzzardi pieces together what may have been the third Dirk Gently novel by the late author of *The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy (RC 18339)*. Includes Adams's letters, writings, and ruminations on numerous diverse subjects, including the Beatles, Monty Python, and a young, two-headed Zaphod. 2002.

The Halfling's Gem: Icewind Dale Trilogy, Book 3 RC 56158
by R.A. Salvatore
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Streams of Silver (RC 56151)*, halfling Regis has been captured by the assassin Entreri—who, in possessing Drizzt's panther figurine, is connected to Guenhwyvar. Yet Drizzt and his companions will let nothing stand in their way as they race to save Regis. Violence. 1990.

Star Wars: The New Jedi Order; Enemy Lines I, Rebel Dream RC 56160
by Aaron Allston
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Following the Yuuzhan Vong's invasion of Coruscant, Leia and Han Solo try to promote rebellion against the New Republic's appeasement policy. Luke Skywalker faces danger as he attempts to sneak into the Yuuzhan Vong's stronghold on Coruscant. Prequel to *Rebel Stand (RC 56131)*. Some violence. 2002.

Colored Sugar Water RC 56167
by Venise Berry
read by Robin Miles
2 cassettes
Best friends Lucy Merriweather and Adel Kelly are thirty-something African American women struggling with midlife issues. In their search for emotional fulfillment and true happiness, they are forced to reexamine their priorities in light of their men, their careers, and their spirituality. Some descriptions of sex. 2002.

The Outlaw and the Lady RC 56176
by Lorraine Heath
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
Fortune, Texas; 1891. Outlaw Lee Raven and his gang kidnap a bank robbery witness and realize later that beautiful Angela Bainbridge is blind. At Raven's Mexican home the two fall in love before the Texas Rangers arrive. Explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2001.

The Pepperdogs RC 56178
by Bing West
read by Fred Major
3 cassettes
Kosovo-Serbia border. When a Serb

convoy kidnaps a fellow marine, Captain Mark Lang and his elite band of New York City reserves—the Pepperdogs—defy orders and set out on a rescue mission. Posting their progress on the Internet, the renegade warriors soon make headlines and incite international debate. Violence and strong language. 2003.

Beyond the Promise RC 56199
by Barbara Bickmore
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
When Boston lawyer Cat Browning vacations in Cougar Valley, Oregon, she doesn't expect to fall in love. Her marriage to Scott McCullough exposes his complex family. When tragedy strikes and long-kept family secrets are revealed, Cat has some difficult choices to make. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1996.

Learning to Fly RC 56214
by April Henry
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Nineteen years old and pregnant, Free Meeker finds a duffel bag full of money after a multicar pileup on an Oregon freeway. Assuming the identity of her dead female hitchhiker, Free settles in Portland, where the hitchhiker's abusive husband and a drug dealer come looking for her. Strong language and some violence. 2002.

Sugar Skull RC 56226
by Denise Hamilton
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
L.A. reporter Eve Diamond researches the background of murdered socialite Venus Dellaviglia Langdon, whose husband is running for mayor. Somehow the crime involves both Langdon's son and her lover. Eve also becomes emotionally involved with someone close to the case. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2003.

Engaging the Enemy RC 56227
by Nora Roberts
read by Margaret Strom
3 cassettes
Two romance novels. In *A Will and a Way*, Michael and Pandora have to live under the same roof for six months in order to inherit millions. In *Boundary Lines*, Jillian and Aaron fall in love and mend a family feud. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 1985.

You Shall Know Our Velocity RC 56228
by Dave Eggers
read by L.J. Ganser
3 cassettes
After losing his best friend in a car accident and then falling into money, Will Chmielewski attempts a weeklong flight around the world with his buddy Hand to give away $32,000. During their unusual journey from Chicago to Senegal, Will comes to terms with mortality. Strong language. Bestseller 2002.

A Cold Heart RC 56231
by Jonathan Kellerman
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
Los Angeles detective Milo Sturgis consults psychologist Alex Delaware when a serial killer targets up-and-coming artists, including a ballet dancer, a blues singer, and a saxophone player. Delaware worries about his ex-lover—a guitarist—as he seeks a link between the victims. Strong language, some descriptions of sex, and some violence. Bestseller 2003.

Naked Prey RC 56232
by John Sandford
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
Minneapolis cop Lucas Davenport takes a specially created state position to handle politically sensitive cases. Confronted with the apparent lynching of a black man and a white woman in a small rural community, Davenport discovers that the real motive behind the murders is not what it seems. Violence and strong language. Bestseller 2003.

The Devil Wears Prada RC 56233
by Lauren Weisberger
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Unfashionable Ivy League graduate Andrea Sachs lands a prized job as assistant to legendary fashion editor Miranda Priestly. After almost a year of working fourteen-hour days performing personal services for her intolerable prima donna boss, Andrea has to choose between servitude and her true self. Strong language. Bestseller 2003.

Oryx and Crake RC 56234
by Margaret Atwood
read by Richard Davidson
3 cassettes
In the near future, a lone human amidst genetically engineered creatures torments himself with memories of the devastation of the natural world. Calling himself "Snowman," he recalls the role of his best friend Crake and mourns the loss of their mutually beloved Oryx. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2003.

The Kalahari Typing School for Men RC 56235
by Alexander McCall Smith
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Mma Ramotswe, owner of *The No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency (RC 55503)* in Botswana, copes with new problems. She takes in two troubled orphans and becomes engaged; mentors her assistant, who wants to start a typing school and find a husband; and faces competition from a new detective shop. Bestseller 2002.

The Elvenbane: The Halfblood Chronicles, Book 1 RC 56238
by Andre Norton and Mercedes Lackey
read by Anne Flosnik
4 cassettes
In a land where elven lords rule over human slaves, an exiled concubine gives birth to a halfblood daughter, Shana. The child possesses elven powers and is raised by dragons, who help her develop her sorcery. Prequel to *Elvenblood (RC 56239)*. Some descriptions of sex and some violence. 1991.

Morgawr: The Voyage of the *Jerle Shannara*, Book 3 RC 56242
by Terry Brooks
read by Gary Tipton
3 cassettes
Ilse Witch awakens amongst the Castledown ruins to realize she had been under wicked Morgawr's power. Once she betrays him, Morgawr plots her destruction. Only with help from her brother and the crew of the *Jerle Shannara* can she put an end to his evil. Sequel to *Antrax (RC 53482)*. Some violence. Bestseller 2002.

The Other Woman RC 56284
by Eric Jerome Dickey
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
An unnamed African American news producer is contacted by David Lawrence, a stranger who tells her that her husband is having an affair with his wife. The producer and David meet and have a brief fling, which their cheating spouses soon discover. Explicit descriptions of sex, strong language, and some violence. Bestseller 2003.

The Face RC 56285
by Dean Koontz
read by Mark Ashby
3 cassettes
Retired cop Ethan Truman is chief of security for mega-movie star Channing ("The Face") Manheim's California estate. Manheim's ten-year-old asthmatic son Fric becomes the target of psychotic killer Corky Laputa. Ethan and Fric struggle to survive with the help of clairvoyance and a guardian angel. Some violence and some strong language. Bestseller 2003.

Cerulean Sins RC 56288
by Laurell K. Hamilton
read by Michele Schaeffer
3 cassettes
The love life of federal marshal Anita Blake, who raises the dead and hunts vampires, gets complicated. Her involvement with master vamp Jean-Claude puts Anita and her friends in danger when Belle Morte, fountainhead of the bloodline, arrives. Meanwhile, gruesome preternatural murders plague St. Louis. Explicit descriptions of sex, violence, and strong language. Bestseller 2003.

Through the Darkness: The Darkness Novels, Volume 3 RC 56296
by Harry Turtledove
read by Richard Hauenstein
5 cassettes
Saga modeled after WWII continues. The Algarvian nation harvests the life energy of innocent Kaunians to fuel its army. Vanai lives in hiding, fearing for her life. Personal struggles unfold and alliances take shape as war rages on. Sequel to *Darkness Descending (RC 51006)*. Violence and some descriptions of sex. 2001.

Irish Mist: A Nuala Anne McGrail Novel RC 56297
by Andrew M. Greeley
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Irish singer Nuala Anne and her husband, Dermot Michael Coyne, travel to Ireland from Chicago for a charity concert. While there, she has visions of the 1927 murder of an Irish nationalist and stays to investigate the perplexing mystery. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1999.

A Puzzle in a Pear Tree RC 56298
by Parnell Hall
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Puzzle Lady Cora Felton and her niece, Sherry Carter, volunteer for the local Christmas pageant. A cryptic message in the form of an acrostic appears on the holiday tree and foretells the murder of an actress. Cora investigates the case after Sherry becomes the main suspect. 2002.

The Case of the Haunted Husband: A Perry Mason Mystery RC 56299
by Erle Stanley Gardner
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Attorney Perry Mason and private detective Paul Drake help young Stephane Claire—a hitchhiker accused of car theft and negligent homicide. While investigating the crimes, they encounter a scorned wife and her victims. 1941.

Rulers of the Darkness: The Darkness Novels, Volume 4 RC 56308
by Harry Turtledove
read by Richard Hauenstein
5 cassettes
Battle for Derlavai continues as the ruthless Algarvian empire sweeps the continent. Unkerlant is under attack as the nations of Lagoas and Kuusamo forget past rivalries to create new magic that will turn the tide of war. Sequel to *Through the Darkness (RC 56296)*. Violence and some descriptions of sex. 2002.

Ashes of Heaven: The Lame Deer Fight—May 7, 1877—and the End of the Great Sioux War; the Plainsmen, Book 13 RC 56323
by Terry C. Johnston
read by John Polk
3 cassettes
Seamus Donegan baptizes his son before leaving to scout again for General Miles. Continues the story begun in *Wolf Mountain Moon (RC 56318)* of the military campaigns against the remnants of the Sioux nation. Some strong language. 1998.

Irish Eyes: A Nuala Anne McGrail Novel RC 56324
by Andrew M. Greeley
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Psychic Irish singer Nuala Anne McGrail and her husband, author Dermot Michael Coyne, vacation with their baby daughter on Lake Michigan. After Nuala envisions a terrible shipwreck from a century earlier, the couple research the history of the event and seek lost treasure. Some violence and some strong language. 2000.

Resolution RC 56335
by Denise Mina
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *Exile (RC 56400)* Maureen O'Donnell of Glasgow, Scotland, waits to testify against the sociopathic psychologist who murdered her lover. Meanwhile, Maureen keeps her abusive parents away from her sister's newborn and helps a fellow flea marketer file a dangerous lawsuit. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2001.

White Mountain RC 56353
by Dinah McCall
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
A former Russian scientist, long believed dead, is found murdered in New York. FBI agent Jack Dolan's investigation takes him to White Mountain, Montana, where he meets Isabella Abbot. She and her "uncles" run a fertility clinic—a front for darker purposes. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 2002.

The Covenant: Abram's Daughters, Book 1 RC 56398
by Beverly Lewis
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
Pennsylvania Dutch country, 1946. Amish teenager Leah Ebersol wishes only to be courted by young Jonas Mast, but her father has someone else in mind. While Leah struggles to follow her heart, her older sister Sadie defies their faith, lured by the promise of love in a modern world. Followed by *The Betrayal (RC 56399)*. 2002.

Garnethill RC 56401
by Denise Mina
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Glasgow, Scotland. Maureen O'Donnell, an incest victim recovering from a nervous breakdown, is a suspect in the brutal murder of her lover, a psychiatrist. Matching wits with detective Joe McEwan, Maureen begins her own investigation—uncovering crimes against unstable female hospital patients. Followed by *Exile (RC 56400)*. Violence and strong language. 1998.

Magician: Apprentice; Riftwar Saga, Volume 1 RC 56402
by Raymond E. Feist
read by Gary Telles
4 cassettes
Orphan Pug becomes an apprentice to master magician Kulgan in the Kingdom of the Isles, earning a place in court and the heart of the princess. When he encounters dark beings from another world, Pug realizes he has much to learn about wizardry. Prequel to *Magician: Master (RC 56403)*. 1992.

The Runner RC 56405
by Christopher Reich
read by Mark Ashby
3 cassettes
American lawyer Devlin Judge is assigned to the International Military Tribunal to try leaders of the Third Reich for war crimes. Judge also wants to find former Olympic runner SS major Erich Seyss, the man responsible for Judge's brother's death. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2000.

Just Revenge RC 56410
by Alan M. Dershowitz
read by Gary Telles
2 cassettes
Massachusetts, 1999. Elderly professor Max Menuchen survived a Holocaust massacre that killed his entire family in 1942. When prosecution attempts fail to hold the executioner accountable for war crimes, Menuchen exacts his own revenge, then faces a high-profile trial, defended by his old friend Abe Ringel. Violence. 1999.

Lost Girls RC 56411
by Andrew Pyper
read by Robert Sams
3 cassettes
Drug-addicted attorney Bartholomew Crane is in northern Ontario to defend a creepy teacher accused of killing two female students. Except there aren't any bodies, a ghost haunts the murder scene, and a phantom phone constantly rings in Barth's hotel. Strong language, some descriptions of sex, and some violence. 2000.

Reckless Endangerment RC 56413
by Robert K. Tanenbaum
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
Deputy D.A. Butch Karp investigates a case of Palestinians murdering Jews in New York City. When a suspect's sister shows up at the shelter for battered women where Marlene Ciampi—Karp's wife—volunteers, Marlene considers turning her over. Violence and strong language. 1998.

Miranda and the Warrior RC 56415
by Elaine Barbieri
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
Western territories, 1871. Miranda Thurston slips away from the fort where her father is stationed to visit a friend's ranch. She is captured by Shadow Walker, a Cheyenne. Against all odds the two fall in love, and Miranda has to choose her future. For senior high readers. 2002.

Perma Red RC 56419
by Debra Magpie Earling
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
Growing up on the Flathead Indian reservation in 1940s Montana, Louise White Elk has always known that Baptiste Yellow Knife intended to marry her. But he is not the only man who wants to possess her, and violent passions are provoked. Some descriptions of sex and some violence. 2002.

Rules of the Game RC 56428
by Ted Allbeury
read by David Cutler
2 cassettes
British intelligence officer Robert Thornton is sent to find a missing agent who disappeared while on assignment to kidnap a psychic East German girl. Thornton encounters obstruction from his own agency, CIA and KGB counterplots, and a man playing by his own rules. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1988.

The Rover RC 56430
by Mel Odom
read by Anne Flosnik
3 cassettes
Humble pint-sized librarian Edgewick Lamplighter is abducted by pirates and taken to a far-off land of wicked goblins and evil wizards. Wick's only hope is to outsmart these creatures using knowledge gained through a lifetime of reading. For junior and senior high readers. 2001.

U.S.S. *Seawolf* RC 56431
by Patrick Robinson
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
South China Sea, 2005. On a mission to assess the nuclear strike capabilities of China's new ICBM submarine, the U.S.S. *Seawolf* is commandeered by the People's Liberation Navy. U.S. national security advisor Vice Admiral Morgan sends an elite team of Navy SEALs to rescue the crew. Violence and strong language. 2000.

Victoria and the Rogue RC 56434
by Meg Cabot
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes
On a voyage from India, sixteen-year-old heiress Lady Victoria Arbuthnot becomes secretly engaged to worldly Lord Malfrey despite the meddling interference of the ship's young captain, Jacob Carstairs. In England, Victoria discovers her fiancé's real motives for the betrothal and the reasons for Jacob's ac-

tions. For senior high and older readers. 2003.

Josephine and the Soldier RC 56436
by Beverly Jenkins
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Michigan, 1864. Seventeen-year-old African American Jojo Best has achieved her dream of becoming a hairdresser. Although she has a beau, Brooks, she is attracted to army veteran Adam Morgan, who has come home to recuperate from the War between the States. For senior high readers. 2003.

To the Nines RC 56437
by Janet Evanovich
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
Trenton, New Jersey, bounty hunter Stephanie Plum is assigned by her cousin Vinnie to track down guest worker Samuel Singh, who was expected to return to India. When Singh's acquaintances begin to be murdered, Plum's search leads her and skip-tracer Ranger to Las Vegas. Strong language and some violence. 2003.

Bull Catcher RC 56438
by Alden R. Carter
read by Erik Synnestvedt
2 cassettes
Bull Larsen's primary love has always been baseball. Living with his grandparents in Wisconsin, he has single-mindedly aimed for a career in the major leagues. As his high school days near an end, Bull has to face many decisions involving his future. Some strong language. For senior high readers. 1997.

The Chronoliths RC 56446
by Robert Charles Wilson
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
2021. Scott, an American expatriate in Thailand, examines the arrival site of the first of a spate of chronoliths—mysterious monuments inscribed with Kuin's predicted victory date, 2041. Scott's scientist friend believes she can destroy the chronoliths' power and curtail the growing cult of Kuin. Some strong language. 2001.

The Blood Doctor RC 56448
by Barbara Vine
read by David Cutler
3 cassettes
In the nineteenth century, Lord Henry Nanther, a physician specializing in hemophilia, is fascinated with blood. Now, attempting to write the doctor's biography, great-grandson Lord Martin Nanther investigates whether the deaths of Henry's relatives and friends were coincidental or something more sinister. 2002.

Josey Wales: Two Westerns, *Gone to Texas* and *The Vengeance Trail of Josey Wales* RC 56451
by Forrest Carter
read by Mark Ashby
2 cassettes
The first tale of Josey Wales, a Confederate rebel who doesn't surrender after the Civil War, recounts his exploits and losses as he heads for Indian territory. In the second, he appears on "wanted" posters that offer a reward for his dead body. Some violence and some strong language. 1976.

Material Witness RC 56452
by Robert K. Tanenbaum
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
Marlene Ciampi is on maternity leave when her husband, New York assistant district attorney Butch Karp, goes undercover to unmask the murderer of a star basketball player. Marlene joins the investigation after one of the witnesses to the crime asks for her help. Violence and strong language. 1993.

The Big Gamble: A Kevin Kerney Novel RC 56469
by Michael McGarrity
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Two bodies are discovered after a fire in Lincoln County, New Mexico. Deputy Sheriff Clayton Istee contacts his estranged biological father, Santa Fe police chief Kevin Kerney, when one victim is discovered to be a young woman who disappeared eleven years earlier. The two collaborate on the case. Violence and strong language. 2002.

Johnny Angel RC 56483
by Danielle Steel
read by Gabriella Cavallero
1 cassette
Returning home from his senior prom, Johnny Peterson—valedictorian, star athlete, faithful boyfriend, and son—is killed in a car accident. His mother, Alice, is devastated until one day he appears to her as an angel to help the family through their grief. When Alice learns to let go, Johnny reveals an even greater purpose. Bestseller 2003.

Bare Bones RC 56484
by Kathy Reichs
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
As North Carolina forensic anthropologist Dr. Temperance Brennan investigates an infant killing, a small plane crash, and six headless bear carcasses discovered by her dog, she realizes the three cases are intertwined. With the help of detective Andrew Ryan, her Canadian lover, Brennan uncovers a local criminal cabal. Violence and strong language. 2003.

Racing Moon RC 56493
by Cassie Edwards
read by Carol Dines
2 cassettes
Louisiana, 1857. Watercolor artist Maureen O'Rourke is happy working for widower Taylor Clairmont until he makes advances toward her. Fleeing his home, she is captured by a Chitimacha Indian and becomes a pawn in a dangerous game. However, Maureen finds herself falling in love with Chief Racing Moon. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2003.

Trading Places RC 56494
by Fern Michaels
read by Coleen Delany
2 cassettes
Wounded Atlanta detective Aggie Jade knows she was meant to die in the botched drug bust that killed her partner and injured her K-9 dog. Following months of recovery, Aggie convinces her twin sister Lizzie to impersonate her while Aggie works to uncover police corruption. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 2003.

Seizure RC 56496
by Robin Cook
read by Robert Sams
3 cassettes
Senator Ashley Butler will withhold permission for stem-cell research proposed by doctors Daniel Lowell and Stephanie D'Agostino unless they secretly perform experimental surgery to cure his Parkinson's. The politician also complicates the deal by wanting to use cells obtained from the Shroud of Turin. Bestseller 2003.

Cyanide Wells RC 56498
by Marcia Muller
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
The disappearance of Matthew Lindstrom's wife fourteen years ago, just before their divorce, branded him a murderer and destroyed his career. When he discovers Gwen is alive, Matt heads for California to look for answers and possibly revenge—but instead finds her lesbian lover and an even bigger mystery. Some strong language. 2003.

Dead Ringer RC 56500
by Lisa Scottoline
read by Barbara Pinolini
2 cassettes
To keep her Philadelphia law firm out of bankruptcy, attorney Bennie Rosato takes on a multimillion-dollar class action lawsuit. Meanwhile, her vengeful twin sister returns, bent on impersonating Bennie and ruining her reputation. The situation gets desperate when Bennie's new client is murdered. Sequel to *Mistaken Identity (RC 48401)*. Some strong language. 2003.

McSweeney's Mammoth Treasury of Thrilling Tales RC 56508
edited by Michael Chabon
read by Michael Russotto
4 cassettes
Chabon, author of *The Amazing Adventures of Kavalier and Clay (RC 50950)*, presents twenty previously unpublished short detective and science fiction tales by such authors as Elmore Leonard, Neil Gaiman, Nick Hornby, Stephen King, Michael Moorcock, and Harlan Ellison. Strong language and some violence. Bestseller 2002.

Wolf on the Fold RC 56523
by Judith Clarke
read by Barbara Caruso
1 cassette
A series of poignant stories that follow members of an Australian family through several generations. In the title piece, fourteen-year-old Kenny Sinclair sets out to find a job during the Great Depression to support his family after his father dies. For junior and senior high readers. 2000.

Spellbound RC 56560
by Janet McDonald
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
Raven, a teenage African American mother and high school dropout living in a Brooklyn housing project, decides with the help of her friend Aisha to study for a spelling bee that could lead to a college scholarship program. Some strong language. For senior high readers. 2001.

The Xenocide Mission RC 56562
by Ben Jeapes
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
In 2153 a secret observation base in far

space, staffed by humans and furry quadrupeds called Rusties, is attacked by XC aliens from another spaceship. When Lieutenant Joel Gilmore is captured, his girlfriend and his father, a retired commodore, rush to rescue him—with dire results. For junior and senior high readers. 2002.

The Town RC 56563
by Bentley Little
read by Michael Russotto
3 cassettes
After winning the lottery, Gregory Tomasov and his family return to his hometown of McGuane, Arizona. But nobody told them not to move into the abandoned farmhouse or about the evil that slept there. Now the evil has awakened. Violence, some explicit descriptions of sex, and some strong language. 2000.

Monster RC 56569
by Walter Dean Myers
read by Christopher Walker
1 cassette
Sixteen-year-old Steve Harmon sits in jail accused of being a lookout in a deadly robbery. An aspiring filmmaker, Steve reviews his time in jail like a movie script. He wonders if he has become the monster that the prosecutor has made him out to be. For senior high readers. 1999.

Light House RC 56596
by William Monahan
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes
Art student Tim Picasso absconds with the profits from a drug smuggling scam and hides in a Massachusetts inn inhabited by several eccentrics. But with a deadly storm approaching, Tim discovers that the dealer, Jesus Castro, is also at the hotel. Strong language, some explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. 2000.

Born Twice RC 56610
by Giuseppe Pontiggia
read by Ken Kliban
1 cassette
A doctor's mistake leaves Paolo mentally disabled from birth. He survives infancy to face an intolerant world. His father fights for Paolo's acceptance but struggles with his own internal battles in understanding and handling Paolo's condition. Winner of Italy's Strega Prize for literature. 2002.

A Body in the Bathhouse RC 56614
by Lindsey Davis
read by George Holmes
3 cassettes
Rome, A.D. 75. Proto-detective Marcus Didius Falco is sent by the Emperor to southern Britain, where he is to correct the construction problems of a new palace. Falco's family and in-laws accompany him as they travel to a hostile outpost laden with fraud and murder. Some violence. 2001.

The Traveler's Gift: Seven Decisions That Determine Personal Success RC 56620
by Andy Andrews
read by J.P. Linton
1 cassette
Life looks bleak to forty-six-year-old David Ponder, who has lost his job and sense of purpose. Seven time-travel experiences impart motivational lessons that encourage David to change his attitude and gain a second chance at a worthwhile life. Bestseller 2002.

Sweetblood RC 56722
by Pete Hautman
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
As sixteen-year-old Lucy's diabetes spirals out of control, she becomes obsessed with a vampire chat room on the Web. Theorizing that vampires are somehow related to untreated diabetics, Lucy struggles with her illness, her family, and school problems before she accepts her condition. Some strong language. For senior high readers. 2003.

Catch the Lightning: Saga of the Skolian Empire, Volume 2 RC 56739
by Catherine Asaro
read by Jill Fox
3 cassettes
Twentieth-century teenager is transported to the future with a Skolian pilot whose ship has taken him back in time. Love blossoms between the telepathic couple, but the enemy Trader Empire plans to use them to conquer the galaxy. Sequel to *Primary Inversion (RC 56734)*. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some violence. 1996.

Books for Children

These books were recently sent to cooperating libraries. Cassette books, labeled with the code RC, play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Cassettes Nonfiction

Planet Zoo: One Hundred Animals We Can't Afford to Lose RC 54791
by Simon Barnes
read by MaryBeth Wise
2 cassettes
Discusses various endangered creatures—from the kakapo, a New Zealand bird, to the great hammerhead shark. Explains some of their special characteristics, why they are becoming extinct, and conservation issues. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2000.

The Science of Life: Projects and Principles for Beginning Biologists RC 54793
by Frank G. Bottone
read by MaryBeth Wise
1 cassette
After discussing safety issues and the scientific method, a molecular biologist explains the fundamentals of biology through different activities. Explores bacteria, fungi, and protozoans as well as plants and animals. Includes twenty-five projects using common household and classroom materials. For grades 4-7. 2001.

What a Year RC 55408
by Tomie De Paola
read by Bruce Nelson
1 cassette
In this continuation of Tomie's childhood memoir *On My Way (RC 53114)*, he celebrates his sixth birthday with a party at school. Tomie also tells of other holidays and family adventures that oc-

cur before the end of 1940. For grades 2-4. 2002.

Islam RC 56148
by Charles Clark
read by Jake Williams
1 cassette
A concise introduction to one of the world's major religions. Discusses the history, beliefs, acceptance, practices, and politics of Islam and looks at the challenges it faces. Explains some of the misunderstandings between Christians and Muslims. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 2002.

Bad Stuff in the News: A Guide to Handling the Headlines RC 56155
by Marc Gellman and Thomas Hartman
read by Bill Wallace
1 cassette
A rabbi and a priest discuss media coverage of terrorism, child abuse, natural disasters, violence in sports, and hate crimes—and why these bad things happen. They offer advice on how to deal with fears and how to change the world for the better. For grades 5-8. 2002.

DNA RC 56191
by Alvin Silverstein and others
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Explains the structure and function of DNA. Discusses heredity, the Genome Project, and controversies about relevant scientific research such as cloning and genetic tinkering. For grades 6-9. 2002.

My First Bible RC 56206
by Pat Alexander
read by Janis Gray
1 cassette
Sixty-four Bible stories retold in simple language appropriate for young children. Half the tales are from the Old Testament, beginning with the creation of the world in Genesis. The second half are from the New Testament about Jesus's life on earth. For grades K-3. 1997.

Everything You Need to Know about Looking and Feeling Your Best: A Guide for Girls RC 56270
by Annie Leah Sommers
read by Patricia McDermott
1 cassette
Practical advice for girls on the importance of good grooming, hygiene, nutrition, fitness, and attitude. Cites personal experiences of teens as they relate to the particular topic under discussion. For grades 6-9. 2000.

On the Court with Kobe Bryant RC 56271
by Glenn Stout
read by Alec Volz
1 cassette
Biography of basketball player Kobe Bryant, whose father, Joe "Jellybean" Bryant, was also a professional player in America and in Europe. Describes how, bypassing college, Kobe became the youngest player to start an All-Star game in 1998. For grades 4-7. 2001.

The American Revolution for Kids: A History with Twenty-one Activities RC 56312
by Janis Herbert
read by John Richardson
2 cassettes
Discusses major events of the American Revolution, from the hated Stamp Act and the Boston Tea Party to the British surrender at Yorktown and the writing of the Constitution. Activities include preparing Liberty Tea Punch and three colonial children's games. For grades 4-7. 2002.

What If? A Kid's Guide to Surviving Just About Anything RC 56332
by Lynne Gibbs
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Basic safety tips to help children handle hazardous situations. Self-protection information covers materials, methods, and skills for coping in the wilderness or in strong weather conditions, reacting to encounters with dangerous animals, applying simple first aid, and being "street-smart." For grades 3-6. 2002.

Lost and Found: A Kid's Book for Living through Loss RC 56334
by Marc Gellman and
Thomas Hartman
read by Bill Wallace
1 cassette
A rabbi and a priest offer advice on dealing with different kinds of loss. These range from losing stuff (toys or gifts) to more emotional losses (friends, health, a part of the body) to the biggest losses from death. Authors provide practical suggestions for help in difficult times. For grades 3-6. 1999.

Bridges: From My Side to Yours RC 56337
by Jan Adkins
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
A look at bridges throughout history, from simple arrangements of stepping stones to famous landmarks such as London Bridge and marvels of engineering such as New York's Brooklyn Bridge. For grades 5-8. 2002.

Cinqué of the *Amistad* and the Slave Trade in World History RC 56345
by Richard Worth
read by Gail Nelson
1 cassette
Portrays the African leader of a slave ship rebellion in 1839. Traces the events that led to an 1841 Supreme Court case on the Atlantic slave trade and former president John Quincy Adams's role in defending Cinqué and his companions. For grades 5-8. 2001.

Fossil Fish Found Alive: Discovering the Coelacanth RC 56423
by Sally M. Walker
read by Gary Telles
1 cassette
Describes scientists' excitement when a specimen of fish thought to be extinct was discovered in a trawler's catch off the South African coast in 1938. Discusses subsequent searches for the elusive deep-water coelacanth and what has been learned about it through scientific research. For grades 5-8. 2002.

Michael Foreman's Christmas Treasury RC 56425
compiled by Michael Foreman
read by Robert Sams
1 cassette
Yuletide and northern hemisphere winters are celebrated in Frost's "Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening," in carols like "Good King Wenceslas," stories like Foreman's "The Decorated Forest," and extracts from other works, among them the Bible and *The Wind in the Willows (RC 24592)*. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1999.

The Signers: The Fifty-six Stories behind the Declaration of Independence RC 56435
by Dennis Brindell Fradin
read by Steven Carpenter
1 cassette
Biographical sketches of each of the fifty-six men who signed the Declaration of Independence in 1776, with historical information about the thirteen colonies they represented. Includes the full text of the document. For grades 5-8. 2002.

When Marian Sang RC 56453
by Pam Muñoz Ryan
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
A short biography of the internationally acclaimed singer Marian Anderson (1897–1993). The story, weaving in musical lyrics, recounts her journey from the church choir through appearances in the great music houses. An afterword discusses how Anderson's talent and noble spirit helped encourage social change. For grades 2-4 and older readers. 2002.

Earth-Friendly Crafts for Kids: Fifty Awesome Things to Make with Recycled Stuff RC 56455
by Heather Smith
read by Erik Synnestvedt
1 cassette
Provides step-by-step instructions for using recycled materials—jars and jar lids, CDs, plastic bags, film canisters, tire tubes, metal cans, newspapers and magazines, pizza boxes—to create gifts, toys, or jewelry. Offers tips for an earth-friendly lifestyle generally. For grades 4-7. 2002.

Bugs before Time: Prehistoric Insects and Their Relatives RC 56567
by Cathy Camper
read by Gary Telles
1 cassette
Interesting facts about ancient insects (before the time of dinosaurs), some of which—cockroaches, centipedes, and dragonflies—still inhabit our world. Discusses their physical traits, way of life, and natural environment. For grades 3-6. 2002.

Our Country's Presidents RC 56572
by Ann Bausum
read by Ted Stoddard
2 cassettes
Profiles of U.S. presidents from the first, George Washington, to the forty-third, George W. Bush, covering biographical facts and highlights of their administrations. Ten additional interwoven essays discuss related topics, from a brief history of the White House to First Ladies' roles. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 2001.

The Martial Arts Book RC 56746
by Laura Scandiffio
read by Alec Volz
1 cassette
Traces the history and spiritual side of various Asian martial arts from ancient times through their introduction to the West. Describes the philosophies behind tai chi, karate, tae kwon do, kendo, judo, and aikido. For grades 4-7. 2003.

Cassettes Fiction

Hey Kid, Want to Buy a Bridge? The Time Warp Trio RC 55638
by Jon Scieszka
read by Ray Hagen
1 cassette
Thanks to their magical book, Fred, Sam, and Joe inadvertently travel through time to New York City of 1877. Once there, they meet their great granddaughters, who—having also come from the future—help them find a way back to their own time. For grades 3-6. 2002.

One-Hundred-and-One African American Read-Aloud Stories RC 55705
edited by Susan Kantor
read by Bill Quinn
2 cassettes
Anthology of traditional fairy tales, myths, fables, and folktales—filled with wise chiefs, lovely maidens, talking animals, inspiring heroes, some frightening monsters, and feats of magic. Includes selections from biographical, historical, and contemporary works as well as poetry and songs. For grades 3-6. 1998.

The Leopard Sword RC 55816
by Michael Cadnum
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Knights' squires Hubert and Edmund leave the Crusades behind and set sail for England with their injured masters. Their ship is attacked by Saracen seamen, and thus begins their long and dangerous journey home. Sequel to *The Book of the Lion (RC 52423)*. Some violence. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2002.

The Adventures of Pinocchio: Story of a Puppet RC 55907
by Carlo Collodi
read by Gabriella Cavallero
1 cassette
Geppetto carves a wooden puppet and names him Pinocchio. The rascally marionette walks and talks like a real boy, but his nose grows longer each time he lies. Classic Italian children's tale originally published in 1883. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 2002.

Feather Boy RC 55942
by Nicky Singer
read by Judith Ann Gantly
2 cassettes
Timid and unpopular, Robert Nobel considers himself the class pariah. Through a school-sponsored project, Robert meets elderly Edith Sorrel, visits the abandoned house where her son died, and learns about the legend of the Firebird—and about courage, love, and luck. For grades 5-8. 2001.

The Clones: The Virtual War Chronologs, Book 2 RC 56023
by Gloria Skurzynski
read by Michael Scherer
1 cassette
In the year 2081, having won the battle for the Western Hemisphere Federation in *The Virtual War (RC 47643)*, fifteen-year-old Corgan begins raising a baby clone of the young mutant genius who helped him before dying. But the clone has a twin. Some violence. For grades 5-8. 2002.

The Day My Butt Went Psycho! RC 56043
by Andy Griffiths
read by Nick Sullivan
1 cassette
Two months after his twelfth birthday,

Zack Freeman wakes up one night and sees his rear end jumping out the bedroom window. Zack follows his butt to a stadium filled with other butts who are planning a revolution—they want to replace heads at the top of the neck. For grades 4-7. 2001.

The Angel's Command: A Tale from the *Castaways of the Flying Dutchman*
RC 56068
by Brian Jacques
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Mute orphan Ben and his faithful dog, Ned, first encountered in the *Castaways of the Flying Dutchman (RC 51900)*, are gifted with eternal youth and the ability to communicate with each other. In this new adventure they encounter pirates in the Caribbean and gypsies in the Pyrenees. For grades 5-8. 2003.

Quit It RC 56087
by Marcia Byalick
read by Erin Jones
1 cassette
Diagnosed with Tourette syndrome in the summer before seventh grade, Carrie copes with the reactions of classmates, friends, and family to her uncontrollable and unpredictable tics such as head jerking. With the support of her teacher, Carrie courageously participates in school activities. For grades 4-7. 2002.

It's a Fair Day, Amber Brown RC 56094
by Paula Danziger
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
When Amber and her best friend, Justin, go to the county fair with their parents, Amber hopes for a perfect day. But when her parents argue, Amber gets lost in the crowd while looking for Justin. For grades K-3. 2002.

Kaya's Escape! A Survival Story
RC 56107
by Janet Shaw
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
Fall 1764. After Kaya and her blind sister, Speaking Rain, are kidnapped from their Nez Perce village by enemy horse raiders, she tries to find a way to escape back home. Sequel to *Meet Kaya (RC 55342)*. For grades 2-4. 2002.

Changes for Kaya: A Story of Courage
RC 56108
by Janet Shaw
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Kaya Shows the Way (RC 56109)*, Kaya faces danger from a sudden mountain fire while searching for Steps High, the horse stolen from her. Includes historical notes on the Nez Perce Indians. For grades 2-4. 2002.

Kaya Shows the Way: A Sister Story
RC 56109
by Janet Shaw
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
When Kaya and her family go to fish for red salmon again, her hope is to be reunited with her blind younger sister, Speaking Rain, who was kidnapped some time before. Sequel to *Kaya and Lone Dog (RC 56110)*. For grades 2-4. 2002.

Kaya and Lone Dog: A Friendship Story
RC 56110
by Janet Shaw
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Kaya's Hero (RC 56111)*, Kaya still grieves over her friend's death and misses her stolen horse and kid-

napped sister. She tries to earn the trust of a lone and starving dog who is about to have puppies. For grades 2-4. 2002.

Kaya's Hero: A Story of Giving RC 56111
by Janet Shaw
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
1764. Kaya greatly admires a courageous and kind young woman, Swan Circling, who is newly married and living in her Nez Perce village. Kaya wants to be worthy of her respect. Sequel to *Kaya's Escape! (RC 56107)*. For grades 2-4. 2002.

Pursued: Jennie McGrady Mystery, Book 3 RC 56132
by Patricia H. Rushford
read by Norma Lana
1 cassette
Jennie McGrady agrees to help school beauty queen Allison Beaumont find the secret admirer who has been harassing her. After a series of misadventures, Allison and Jennie are kidnapped by the deranged stalker. Sequel to *Silent Witness (RC 40295)*. For grades 6-9. 1994.

Before We Were Free RC 56137
by Julia Alvarez
read by Gabriella Cavallero
1 cassette
Dominican Republic. In the early 1960s, twelve-year-old Anita's family is harassed and under surveillance by the secret police. She learns that close relatives are involved in the underground movement to end the crushing dictatorship of General Trujillo, endangering the entire family. For grades 6-9. 2002.

Beware! R.L. Stine Picks His Favorite Scary Stories RC 56141
compiled by R.L. Stine
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
A selection of scary stories by such authors as Ray Bradbury, William Sleator, Leon Garfield, Roald Dahl, Gahan Wilson, and compiler Stine himself. Includes several haunting poems as well. For grades 4-7. 2002.

Deceived: Jennie McGrady Mystery, Book 4 RC 56159
by Patricia H. Rushford
read by Norma Lana
1 cassette
Jennie McGrady is searching for her father, a federal agent, who has been missing for five years. While on a Caribbean cruise with her grandmother and cousin, Jennie is courted by a student from Colombia with an ulterior motive. Sequel to *Pursued (RC 56132)*. For grades 6-9. 1994.

Saffy's Angel RC 56168
by Hilary McKay
read by Gabriella Cavallero
1 cassette
When she is three, her mother dies and Saffron "Saffy" Casson is adopted by her offbeat English kinfolk. She stows away to Italy at thirteen with a friend's family, hoping to recall her early childhood and try to claim her inheritance, a stone garden angel. For grades 4-7. Whitbread Award. 2001.

Pictures of Hollis Woods RC 56220
by Patricia Reilly Giff
read by Erin Jones
1 cassette
A troublesome foster child, Hollis loves to draw pictures on paper and in her mind. Her favorite is one in which she

fits in—with a father, mother, brother, and herself. Now Hollis lives with an artist, but still longs for the summer family that wanted to keep her. For grades 5-8. 2002.

Artemis Fowl: The Eternity Code
RC 56252
by Eoin Colfer
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Learning that his father plans to go straight after returning from imprisonment by the Russian Mafiya described in *Artemis Fowl: The Arctic Incident (RC 54323)*, Artemis plots one last scheme. But his deal with a powerful businessman over advanced technology stolen from the fairies goes painfully awry. For grades 5-8. 2003.

Dillon Dillon RC 56265
by Kate Banks
read by Brian Conn
1 cassette
On his tenth birthday, during a summer spent at a lakeside New Hampshire cabin, Dillon Dillon asks his parents why they gave him his strange double name. Their answer upsets him, but encounters with a family of loons lead him to a new appreciation of his own family relationships. For grades 4-7. 2002.

Clever Beatrice: An Upper Peninsula Conte RC 56267
by Margaret Willey
read by Erin Jones
1 cassette
When Beatrice's mother runs out of food, Beatrice walks through the woods to a rich but not-too-smart giant's cabin. The giant loves to gamble on his strength, so the small young girl relies on her wits to win his gold. For grades K-3. 2001.

Rowan and the Keeper of the Crystal
RC 56293
by Emily Rodda
read by David Cutler
1 cassette
Rowan's mother, Jiller, fulfills her duty to choose the new Keeper of the Crystal and is poisoned in the process. Rowan insists that the candidates for Keeper help him find an antidote to save his mother before completing the selection. Sequel to *Rowan and the Travelers (RC 56292)*. For grades 3-6. 1996.

Who the Man RC 56424
by Chris Lynch
read by Christopher Walker
1 cassette
Thirteen-year-old Earl is already struggling with his parents' failing marriage, his love for an older girl, and his oversized body when he is suspended from school for fighting. Over the course of a week he resolves some issues and accepts responsibility. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2002.

The Impossible Journey RC 56433
by Gloria Whelan
read by Anne Flosnik
1 cassette
Russia, 1934. After Katya, from *Angel on the Square (RC 54409)*, is arrested and exiled to Siberia for opposing Stalin, her thirteen-year-old daughter Marya and younger son Georgi trek across the steppes to find her. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 2003.

A Time of Angels RC 56445
by Karen Hesse
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Hannah, a fourteen-year-old Jewish girl, leaves Boston and two younger sisters to avoid an influenza epidemic in

1918. But Hannah is also ill when the train reaches Vermont. Visions of angels and the care of an elderly man with a German name help Hannah to survive. For grades 5-8. 2000.

Things That Sometimes Happen: Very Short Stories for Little Listeners RC 56449
by Avi
read by Gregory Gorton
1 cassette
A collection of nine brief stories about animals that talk, a melting ice cream cone begging to be eaten, a boy running between raindrops, an elephant drinking a glass of water, a hippopotamus buying a car, and other amazing things that just maybe might happen. For grades K-3. 2002.

The Bachelors: The Black Belt Series, Book 3 RC 56548
by Don Trembath
read by John Polk
1 cassette
Twelve-year-olds Charlie, Sidney, and Jeffrey from *One Missing Finger (RC 55630)* are taking care of Jeffrey's grandpa for five days. Jeffrey just hopes to keep the guys in line and the house in order until his mother and grandmother return. But grandpa makes the boys skip school, getting them in trouble. For grades 4-7. 2002.

Iris and Walter: The School Play RC 56558
by Elissa Haden Guest
read by Gregory Gorton
1 cassette
Best friends Iris and Walter enjoy making costumes and practicing for their first school play. But on the morning of the performance, Iris wakes up sick. Easy chapter book. For grades K-3. 2003.

Without a Trace: Jennie McGrady Mystery, Book 5 RC 56605
by Patricia H. Rushford
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
Sixteen-year-old Jennie McGrady panics when her five-year-old brother Nick disappears. As the family rallies around, sleuth Jennie focuses on neighbor Doug Reed, a former criminal, and Anne Stuart, the mother of Nick's favorite playmate. Sequel to *Deceived (RC 56159)*. For grades 6-9. 1995.

A Wizard Alone RC 56616
by Diane Duane
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
While Nita mourns her mother's death, teenage wizard Kit and his dog, Ponch, set out to find a young autistic boy who vanished in the middle of his Ordeal, pursued by the Lone Power. Sequel to *Wizard's Dilemma (RC 53605)*. For grades 5-8. 2002.

Niagara Falls, or Does It? Hank Zipzer: The Mostly True Confessions of the World's Best Underachiever, Book 1 RC 56624
by Henry Winkler and Lin Oliver
read by Ray Childs
1 cassette
Hank Zipzer has plenty of good qualities but has difficulties with school skills like punctuality, writing assignments, and spelling. His creative alternative to an English class essay lands him in detention where he meets a music teacher who knows about "learning challenges." For grades 3-6. 2003.

The Canning Season RC 56625
by Polly Horvath
read by Connie Crawford
1 cassette
Thirteen-year-old Ratchet's summer visit in Maine with her eccentric great-aunts, Tilly and Penpen, is filled with their strange stories from the past and unusual, colorful characters stopping by. Ratchet feels so at home that she stays for many annual cannings of blueberry jam. For grades 6-9. National Book Award. 2003.

Foreign Language Books

The following cassette titles are available in the languages designated.

Spanish

El Valle de los Caballos (The Valley of Horses) RC 54971
por Jean M. Auel
leído por María Pino
5 cassettes
En la Edad de Hielo, la heroína Ayla deja su amada familia adoptiva y sus amigos del Clan, y viaja en busca de su propria gente. Por fin, llega al Valle de los Caballos, donde reside un tiempo. Entonces salva a un joven hombre al borde de la muerte y acaba luchando contra los fuertes deseos de amor que siente por él. Sigue a *El Clan del Oso Cavernario (RC 54959)*. Descripciones de índole sexual. (Ice Age heroine Ayla sets out on an odyssey of discovery, leaving her adoptive family and friends. She reaches the Valley of Horses and rescues an attractive young man from certain death. Sequel to *El Clan del Oso Cavernario (RC 54959)*. Explicit descriptions of sex.) 1991.

Qué Se Puede Esperar Cuando Se Está Esperando (What to Expect When You're Expecting) RC 54972
por Arlene Eisenberg y otros
leído por María Pino
6 cassettes
Las autoras contestan todas las preguntas e inquietudes de las futuras madres, desde la etapa de planificación hasta el posparto. Presentan información acera de las sintomas físicas y emocionales. Aconsejan sobre la dieta sana y la importancia de evitar sustancias que pueden dañar el feto, y describen los examenes y procedimientos médicos para mujeres embarazadas—incluso aquellas que padecen de condiciones crónicas. (The authors detail the physical and emotional symptoms and the medical tests and procedures pregnant women, including those with chronic conditions, are likely to experience before, during, and after pregnancy. Stresses the importance of avoiding harmful substances and provides a diet emphasizing the nutrients necessary for fetal health.) 1998.

Por el Amor de Pedro Infante (Loving Pedro Infante) RC 54975
por Denise Chávez
leído por María Pino
2 cassettes
Tere Avila vive en un pueblo fronteriza cerca de El Paso. Le gusta ir al teatro El Colón para ver los filmes viejos de Pedro Infante, el irresistible galán de cine mexicano. El problema es que Tere tiene un amante casado, Lucio. Y Lucio no está a la altura de su ídolo de la pantalla. Contiene lenguaje injurioso y algunas descripciones de índole sexual. (One of Tere's favorite pastimes is watching black-and-white reruns of Mexican filmstar Pedro Infante at the El Colón movie theater, in a small town near El Paso. But her married lover, Lucio, doesn't compare favorably with her idol, Pedro. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language.) 2002.

Las Historias Prohibidas de Marta Veneranda (The Forbidden Stories of Marta Veneranda) RC 54977
por Sonia Rivera-Valdés
leído por María Pino
2 cassettes
Uno por uno la gente del vecindario comienzan a revelar a Marta Veneranda sus secretos mejor guardados. Las confesiones susurradas tejen un tapete de tabúes rotos y esperanzas retorcidas. Una mujer revela cómo se liberó de un esposo abusivo por una intrepretación muy personal del programa de "los doce pasos." Descripciones de índole sexual. (One by one the friends and neighbors of Marta Veneranda confide in her their deepest secrets, divulging their broken taboos and twisted desires. A woman confesses how she liberated herself from an abusive husband through an unusual interpretation of a self-help program. Descriptions of sex.) 2000.

Mi País Inventado: Un Paseo Nostálgico por Chile (My Invented Country: A Nostalgic Journey through Chile) RC 54978
por Isabel Allende
leído por María Pino
2 cassettes
La famosa autora recuerda su país natal, Chile, que abandonó en 1973 después de la muerte de su tío en un golpe militar. Allende habla de la historia chilena, de las memorias nostálgicas de su familia y de su vida como exiliado en su nueva patria—los Estados Unidos. (The famous author remembers her childhood home, Chile, which she left after the death of her uncle in a 1973 military coup. Allende talks about the history of Chile, the nostaglic memories of her family, and her life as an exile in her new home, the United States.) 2003.

Cajas de Cartón: Relatos de la Vida Peregrina de un Niño Campesino (The Circuit: Stories from the Life of a Migrant Child) RC 54979
por Francisco Jiménez
leído por Peter Gil
1 cassette
Doce cuentos de Panchito y su familia que viven en California como trabajadores indocumentados. En "Bajo la Alambrada," Panchito cuenta cómo la familia deja México y pasa debajo de la alambrada para entrar en California. En "Cajas de Carton" habla de la necesidad de ganar dinero trabajando en los campos, donde no es siempre posible asistir a la escuela. Para grados

5 a 8. (Twelve interconnected short stories about the hardships of Panchito and his illegal migrant-worker family. "Bajo la Alambrada" tells how the family leaves Mexico and crawls under barbed wire into California. "Cajas de Cartón" explains that picking crops and earning money come first—before going to school. For grades 5-8.) 1997.

Senderos Fronterizos (Breaking Through) RC 54980

por Francisco Jiménez
leído por Peter Gil
1 cassette

Francisco, un muchacho de catorce años, habla de las tribulaciones de su familia como trabajadores indocumentados en el sur de California. Ahora la familia se ve expulsado de los Estados Unidos y tienen que regresar a México. Pero, regresan legalmente a los Estados Unidos, donde Francisco intenta sacar una buena educación a pesar de los problemas y perjuicios que encuentra. Sigue a *Cajas de Cartón (RC 54979)*. Para grados 5 a 8. (Fourteen-year-old Francisco describes his family's migrant-worker problems in southern California, their deportation to Mexico, and their legal reentry into the United States. He discusses his desire for education in the face of hardships and prejudice. Sequel to *Cajas de Cartón (RC 54979)*. For grades 5-8.) 2001.

El Cucuy de la Mañana: En la Cumbre de la Pobreza (Firefly of the Morning: At the Height of Poverty) RC 54981

por Renán Almendárez Coello
leído por Juan Ramírez
3 cassettes

Delineando una vida similar a aquella de los pobres Latinos que emigraron a los Estado Unidos en busca de una vida mejor, el famoso locutor de radio presenta una autobiografía, escrito con franqueza, con humor, y, a veces con elementos picarescos, que traza su vida desde su nacimiento en Honduras hasta la culminación de su carrera en Los Angeles. Contiene lenguaje injurioso. (The popular Hispanic radio announcer, in this candid, humorous, and picaresque autobiography, describes his life in Honduras from birth to his rise to fame in Los Angeles. He acknowledges his shared experience with poor Hispanics who immigrated to the United States in search of a better life. Strong language.) 2002.

Asedio de la Mente (Mind Siege) RC 54982

por Tim LaHaye and David Noebel
leído por Juan Ramírez
3 cassettes

Los autores hacen sonar trompetas de alarma para que los cristianos despierten y defiendan sus derechos a creer y actuar como cristianos. LaHaye, conocido por sus novelas de la série Dejados Atrás, afirma que los humanistas seculares atacan el cristianidad con el fin de arrojar las creencias cristianas de los foros públicos. (The authors sound the alarm for Christians to defend their right to act in accordance with their faith. LaHaye, best known for his fictional Left Behind series, asserts that secular humanists are attacking Christian tenets in an attempt to remove them from the public forum.) 2000.

La Ley y Sus Derechos Legales: Un Manual Bilingüe para Asuntos Legales Cotidianos / The Law and Your Legal Rights: A Bilingual Guide to Everyday Legal Issues RC 55884
por Jess J. Araujo
leído por Robert Sams
5 cassettes
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In Brief

The following material is reprinted from *NLS Flash*, November 2004, volume 1, issue 1, a newsletter created to bring current information on NLS progress in digital technology to patrons, library staff, and other interested individuals.

Digital technology to bring books to life

Since the 1970s, analog cassettes have enabled NLS to deliver reliable and entertaining audio books and magazines to people who are unable to read standard print. Analog technology continues to work, but now it's time for something new. NLS has found the answer in technology unavailable thirty years ago.

"Digital talking books will bring a great range of benefits to blind and physically handicapped readers," says Frank Kurt Cylke, NLS director. "Many of the marvelous capabilities of the printed book will be combined with the power of computers to create a tool of unprecedented flexibility and power."

NLS will use digital technology to enhance the listening experience. What makes digital better than analog? Users can easily navigate through a book. Sound quality will improve. Less handling will be required. And that's only the beginning.

Fast forward to the future. Each patron will have access to a flash-based playback machine and will be able to download digital books and magazines from the Internet.

Digital transformation. After 10 years of research, NLS chose flash memory as the framework for its new system. How will it work? Imagine a lightweight play-

back device with a removable cartridge that allows for faster access to the content of a book. In 2008, this dream becomes reality.

A digital talking book (DTB) will resemble a credit card, only slightly larger. It will be a high-density flash memory cartridge, capable of holding a complete book. Each book's digital master will be compressed to fit the cartridge at a rate that will deliver high-quality audio. The books will be labeled in both large print and braille.

In the race to project completion, NLS is off and running. In 2002, NLS began the digital audio book production and conversion process. By 2008, the program will provide players and have a collection of 20,000 digital titles.

"The greatest challenge of the digital transition is pulling several long-term and complex projects together to function smoothly," says Jean M. Moss, NLS digital projects coordinator. "It is critical to the successful implementation of the digital program that all key stakeholders—patrons, network libraries and their administering agencies, producers, and staff—be involved, to some extent, in the design and implementation process." NLS will continue to collaborate with stakeholders through user studies and meetings with the Digital Long-Term Planning Group. Book titles expected to be among the most popular 20 percent, which constitute 80 percent of total circulation, are slated to be mass-produced and distributed by network libraries. The remaining titles, constituting 20 percent of total circulation, will be duplicated on demand through a distribution center that will service patrons nationwide.

Driving the digital effort is the goal to make the reading experiences for patrons more enjoyable. "The most exciting feature of digital talking books is the reader's ability to easily navigate through the book. All books will include a basic level of navigation that allows the reader to jump to various chapters and sections," says Moss. "The navigation capabilities will vary with the type of book, for example, fiction and nonfiction."

The design of the flash-based playback machines will be cost-efficient. The solid-state machines will have no moving parts, which will keep repair costs low. NLS plans to build 60,000 digital playback machines by 2008. "The production quantity of DTB players will be increased in subsequent years to satisfy patron demand," says Moss.

Flash benefits. Why should blind and physically handicapped readers get excited about the new technology? Here are a few good reasons: better sound quality in playback; fewer items to keep track of (generally one cartridge instead of several cassettes as required with the cassette system); and no need to flip a switch or the cartridge during playback.

Libraries also have compelling reasons to embrace the digital transformation. Flash memory will require less storage space for collections; memory cards can be reused many times without loss of quality; playback devices will be compact, lightweight and durable, and require fewer repairs; and the playback devices are expected to be less expensive.

"We've received positive comments on the move to a digital system from

network librarians and patrons," says Michael Moodie, NLS deputy director. "The end result of the conversion process will exceed expectations."

Digital talking book (DTB) milestones

Completed:

- Defined and prioritized digital talking book (DTB) features.
- Coordinated development and publication of *Specifications for the Digital Talking Book* (ANSI/NISO Z39.86).
- Simulated a DTB player using a personal computer.
- Developed a computer-based life-cycle cost analysis (LCC) model for the NLS system and for candidate digital systems.
- Developed computer software for DTB production and presentation.
- Developed software to test conformance of players and DTBs with the ANSI/NISO standard.

Start 6/20/03—Finish 10/1/08

The following ongoing projects, set to conclude in 2008, are shown with start dates in parentheses.

- User survey (6/20/03)
- Player transition study (11/10/03)
- Web-Magazine pilot (1/12/04)
- Distribution medium study (7/1/04)
- Digital data management system development (11/1/04)
- Player and medium design (11/1/04)
- Distribution system design and transition planning (12/1/04)
- Design DTB containers and labels (6/1/05)
- Web-Book pilot (6/1/05)
- Prepare for DTB distribution (10/1/05)
- Circulation systems design (12/1/05)
- Manufacture initial lot of DTB containers and labels (9/1/06)
- Distribution system implementation (10/1/06)
- Circulation systems implementation (10/1/06)
- Media production (3/1/07)
- Media duplication (5/1/07)
- Full player production (9/1/07)

For information on the NLS digital project, contact Jean M. Moss, Digital Projects Coordinator. E-mail: jemo@loc.gov; fax: (202) 707-1690. For the NLS Strategic Business Plan online: www.loc.gov/nls/businessplan2003.html

Books for Adults

Cassettes Nonfiction

The Healing Power of Pets: Harnessing the Amazing Ability of Pets to Make and Keep People Happy and Healthy
RC 54792
by Marty Becker
read by Bruce Nelson
3 cassettes
Practicing veterinarian advocates that people with chronic medical conditions reclaim their health by building strong relationships with animals. Combines information from scientific studies with the personal experiences of patients, including autistic children and surgical and Alzheimer's patients. 2002.

A Quaker Book of Wisdom: Life Lessons in Simplicity, Service, and Common Sense
RC 55164
by Robert Lawrence Smith
read by Peter Lavezzoli
1 cassette
Smith, a ninth generation Quaker, explores ways to harness our inner light to guide our daily choices. He discusses ten basic Quaker precepts: silence, worship, truth, simplicity, conscience, nonviolence, service, business, education, and family. Concludes with a letter to his grandchildren imparting ten life lessons. 1998.

The Lives of the Muses: Nine Women and the Artists They Inspired RC 55457
by Francine Prose
read by Kimberly Schraf
3 cassettes
Discusses the role of the real-life muse as a connection between eros and artistic creativity. Explores varieties of the inspirational bond in carefully researched studies, probing themes of passion, exploitation, self-sacrifice, and obsession. Includes studies of Alice Liddell and Lewis Carroll, Gala and Salvador Dalí, and Yoko Ono and John Lennon. 2002.

I Do Not Weep RC 55809
by Venetta D. Baker
read by Tracy Mickens-Hundley
1 cassette
Vignettes from the life of a strong black woman who serves as her Florida family's matriarch and caregiver in times of happiness and tragedy. She must decide whether to sell an antique ring, given to her by a former employer to whom she was a trusted confidante, to pay for her medical bills. 2001.

"Get Out of My Life, but First Could You Drive Me and Cheryl to the Mall?" A Parent's Guide to the New Teenager
RC 56033
by Anthony E. Wolf
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Clinical psychologist humorously offers advice on disciplining teenagers and confronting such issues as peer pressure, the dangers of the Internet, sexuality, substance abuse, and school problems. Wolf presents typical scenarios and suggests methods of communication that might encourage teens to internalize parental values. Some strong language. 2002.

Huey Long RC 56095
by T. Harry Williams
read by Barry Bernson
7 cassettes in 2 containers (Reissue)
A portrait of Louisiana's controversial governor of the 1930s who was known as "The Kingfish." The author recognizes Long as a rare person of power with a potential for "great good or great evil," and presents him as a tragic fig-

ure. Some strong language. National Book Award. Pulitzer Prize. 1969.

Birds off the Perch: Therapy and Training for Your Pet Bird RC 56222
by Larry Lachman and others
read by Miriam Wagner
2 cassettes
A guide to understanding and correcting behavior problems like biting, screaming, and feather plucking most often seen in younger birds. The authors emphasize communication, positive reinforcement, and the use of family therapy techniques. Provides important information on choosing a bird, maintaining its good health, and contacting helpful organizations. 2003.

Moments of Grace: When God Touches Our Lives Unexpectedly RC 56362
by Neale Donald Walsch
read by Larry Shapiro
2 cassettes
Collection of real-life stories from readers of the five "Conversations with God" books *(RC 44643, 44644, 47255, 51348,* and *54766)*. People share their own experiences of God working in their lives: visits by divine voices, extraordinary coincidental circumstances, and chance utterances of children that bring wisdom straight from God. 2001.

American Tragedy RC 56432
by Lawrence Schiller and James Willwerth
read by Michael Scherer
6 cassettes
Presents an analysis of O.J. Simpson's legal defense team, which he retained during his infamous criminal and civil trials. Examines the skills and limitations of the attorneys on the "dream team," including Johnnie Cochran, F. Lee Bailey, and Robert Shapiro. Some strong language. 1996.

Only the Strong Survive: The Odyssey of Allen Iverson RC 56440
by Larry Platt
read by Mark Ashby
2 cassettes
Philadelphia magazine editor-in-chief presents the tumultuous life of the Philadelphia 76ers' six-foot point guard, from an impoverished childhood in Newport News, Virginia, to success as the NBA's 2001 MVP. Platt portrays Iverson as a misunderstood talent, loyal to family and friends but struggling with his coach, the media, and the law. Strong language. 2002.

After: How America Confronted the September 12 Era RC 56587
by Steven Brill
read by Ted Stoddard
5 cassettes
Stories from a diverse group of Americans who struggled in the year after the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks. Includes recollections of widowed housewife Eileen Simon; Kevin McCabe of the U.S. Customs Service; Sergio Magistri, owner of a baggage-checking company; Bernadine Healy, Red Cross president; and Pennsylvania governor Tom Ridge. 2003.

The Measure of All Things: The Seven-Year Odyssey and Hidden Error That Transformed the World RC 56611
by Ken Alder
read by Robert Blumenfeld
3 cassettes
Historian's account of how the meter was established as a standard measure of length. Retraces the challenging zigzag route taken along a meridian by two Frenchmen in 1792 to determine a geo-

graphic basis for the meter. Alder discusses the ramifications of their secret correspondence about unreported discrepancies that he discovered during his research. 2002.

Ovarian Cancer: Your Guide to Taking Control RC 56623
by Kristine Conner and
Lauren Langford
read by Constance Crawford
5 cassettes
Resource guide orienting women to the major issues and decisions they are likely to face after being diagnosed with ovarian cancer. Provides information on finding a gynecologic oncologist, selecting treatments, and questions to ask a doctor. Also includes a list of alternative resources and stories from other women with the disease. 2003.

By the Grace of the Sea: A Woman's Solo Odyssey around the World RC 56637
by Pat Henry
read by Anne Hancock
3 cassettes
Failing in business and personal relationships, forty-eight-year-old Pat Henry set sail on May 4, 1989, for an eight-year-long solo cruise around the world. Her memoirs describe her traverses of oceans and her soul searching for adventure, romance, and the strength to conquer her fears and realize her dreams. 2003.

Adventuring along the Lewis and Clark Trail RC 56639
by Elizabeth Grossman
read by Ray Childs
3 cassettes
Travel guide traces the Corps of Discovery's 1804–1806 route across ten states to the Pacific Ocean. Excerpts from Lewis and Clark's journals provide perspective on ecological changes that have taken place since their expedition. Also includes tips on hiking, biking, canoeing, and kayaking adventures. Gives useful contact information. 2003.

American Lung Association Seven Steps to a Smoke-Free Life RC 56645
by Edwin B. Fisher
read by Geoffrey Centlivre
2 cassettes
Guide to quitting smoking based on the American Lung Association's *Freedom from Smoking* program. Recommends identifying individual reasons for addiction to personalize a plan that can be used with other cessation techniques. The seven-step process addresses how to cope with cravings, keep off extra weight, avoid setbacks, and survive after "quit day." 1998.

The Big Fix: How the Pharmaceutical Industry Rips Off American Consumers RC 56649
by Katharine Greider
read by Dan Bloom
2 cassettes
Reporter analyzes the aggressive marketing and pricing practices of pharmaceutical companies while also recognizing the enormous benefits of their products in reducing pain and controlling illness. Discusses secret drug price policies, efforts to extend patent protection for high-priced blockbusters, research schemes, and advertising gimmicks that promote prescription drugs and increase health care costs. 2003.

The Journal RC 56694
by George Fox
read by Bill Wallace
4 cassettes (Reissue)
Spiritual journal and autobiography of George Fox (1624–1691), the founder of the Religious Society of Friends—

commonly known as Quakers—dictated during his imprisonment in the mid 1670s. Records his work, hardships, and successes in developing a new spiritual order in England. 1998 introduction by Nigel Smith. 1674.

John Paul Jones: Sailor, Hero, Father of the American Navy RC 56700
by Evan Thomas
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Biography of the "great sea warrior," born in Scotland in 1747, who went to sea at age thirteen. Describes his career in the fledgling American Continental Navy, his later exploits in Europe and Russia, and his burial in an obscure Paris grave in 1792. 2003.

Paperboy: Confessions of a Future Engineer RC 56717
by Henry Petroski
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Duke University history and engineering professor, author of *The Book on the Bookshelf (RC 49607)*, reflects on his years as a paperboy in Queens. By recalling his paper route and the work it involved, Petroski provides a glimpse into American life during the 1950s and a foreshadowing of his subsequent career. 2002.

Napoleon and Wellington: The Battle of Waterloo—and the Great Commanders Who Fought It RC 56718
by Andrew Roberts
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
A study of the personal relationship between nineteenth-century rivals French emperor Napoleon Bonaparte and British general Arthur Wellesley, the duke of Wellington. It is also "a study in beliefs and rivalry, propaganda and rancor" that continued long after their last battle at Waterloo. 2001.

Free (or Almost Free) Prescription Medications: Where and How to Get Them RC 56723
by David Johnson
read by Ralph Lowenstein
2 cassettes
The author, a multiple sclerosis patient who lost his health insurance, lists 168 prescription drug assistance programs run by pharmaceutical companies for low-income people not qualifying for state aid. Provides information on each program's eligibility criteria, enrollment instructions, steps required of patients and their doctors, and other details. 2002.

When Walking Fails: Mobility Problems of Adults with Chronic Conditions RC 56727
by Lisa I. Iezzoni
read by Jill Ferris
4 cassettes
A physician with multiple sclerosis researches social and medical factors that might improve the quality of life for people with difficulty walking. Discusses mobility limits, physical and occupational therapy, ambulation aids and how to pay for them, as well as psychological issues. 2003.

Bittersweet: Diabetes, Insulin, and the Transformation of Illness RC 56731
by Chris Feudtner
read by Ralph Lowenstein
2 cassettes
Pediatrician chronicles the twentieth-century history of diabetes mellitus, using the archives of the Joslin Diabetes Center in Boston. Focuses on patient's experiences and causality of the disease's

symptoms. Describes the discovery of insulin and the complications arising from its long-term use. 2003.

Bible Code II: The Countdown RC 56763
by Michael Drosnin
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Bible Code (RC 44896)*, investigative reporter Drosnin continues his quest for the truth behind an ancient code purportedly embedded in the Bible. The author asserts the code predicted the 2001 terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and may warn of impending global catastrophe. 2002.

Under the Banner of Heaven: A Story of Violent Faith RC 56777
by Jon Krakauer
read by Michael Russotto
3 cassettes
Traces the origins of Mormonism in an effort to explain certain crimes committed by fundamentalist sect members—including the 1984 murder of Brenda Lafferty and her baby in Utah. Conveys how Brenda's remorseless brother-in-law Dan and his brother Ron believed God ordered them to kill. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2003.

Classic Country: Legends of Country Music RC 56780
by Charles K. Wolfe
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
The author of *A Good-Natured Riot: The Birth of the Grand Ole Opry (RC 50736)* presents more than fifty portraits of past and present country music notables, based largely on interviews and recollections. Includes obscure performers and studio musicians as well as stars such as Hank Snow and Roy Acuff. 2001.

The Happy Bottom Riding Club: The Life and Times of Pancho Barnes RC 56787
by Lauren Kessler
read by Coleen Delany
3 cassettes
Biography of eccentric pioneering woman aviator. Florence Lowe's grandfather predicted she would be a flier, and in the 1920s Florence raced planes and worked as a movie stunt pilot. She later went through several marriages and lovers—one of whom gave her the nickname "Pancho"—and several fortunes before dying penniless. 2000.

The Ideas That Conquered the World: Peace, Democracy, and Free Markets in the Twenty-first Century RC 56802
by Michael Mandelbaum
read by Steven Carpenter
4 cassettes
Foreign affairs columnist analyzes how and why three major ideas have transformed world order—peace as the basis for relations between countries, democracy as the optimal method of political organization, and the free market as the system to produce wealth. But Mandelbaum recognizes these principles are neither accepted nor practiced everywhere. 2002.

Buddhism: A Concise Introduction RC 56816
by Huston Smith and Philip Novak
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
Describes the history, fundamental teachings, and practices of this Eastern religion. The first half of the book explores the life of the Buddha (born circa 563 B.C.E.), explains the core tenets,

and distinguishes between various sects. The final chapters discuss the Western expansion and adaptations of Buddhism, particularly in America. 2003.

Suddenly Gone: The Kansas Murders of Serial Killer Richard Grissom RC 56817

by Dan Mitrione
read by Christopher Walker
2 cassettes
Former FBI agent details the 1989 Kansas crime spree of serial killer Richard Grissom Jr., who kidnapped and tortured young women. Grissom's psychological troubles—and a grisly murder he committed as a youth—were revealed in his juvenile record, and such deviant behavior continued into his adulthood. Violence and strong language. 1995.

In the Company of Heroes RC 56819

by Michael J. Durant
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
Retired army pilot recounts his harrowing POW experience in Somalia after his Blackhawk helicopter was downed during a 1993 mission to capture warlord Mohamed Farrah Aidid. He describes being attacked by a mob, imprisoned, interrogated, and finally released after eleven days. Introduction by the author of *Black Hawk Down (RC 48028)*. Strong language. 2003.

The Autobiography of Benjamin Franklin and Selections from His Other Writings RC 56823

by Benjamin Franklin
read by Rick Rohan
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Memoirs of the early American newspaperman, scientist, philosopher, and statesman Benjamin Franklin (1706–1790), addressed to his son. Describes his intellectual development, wide-ranging interests, and diverse enterprises. Includes selections from his newspaper columns and journal. With an introduction by Stacy Schiff. 2001.

'Atta Girl! A Celebration of Women in Sport RC 56824

by Alexandra Powe Allred
read by Coleen Delany
2 cassettes
Inspirational anecdotes about women in sports, including the author, a former U.S. women's bobsled team member who also once played professional football. Recounts female athletes' struggle for success and acceptance and explores society's evolving perceptions. For senior high and older readers. 2003.

Beyond Glory: Medal of Honor Heroes in Their Own Words: Extraordinary Stories of Courage from World War II to Vietnam RC 56848

by Larry Smith
read by Lou Harpenau
3 cassettes
Twenty-four recipients of the Medal of Honor recall the deeds and circumstances meriting their citations. Jack Jacobs of the 82nd Airborne during the Vietnam War describes his 1968 rescue actions while wounded and under fire as simply doing what he felt he had to do. Some strong language. 2003.

When Hollywood Had a King: The Reign of Lew Wasserman, Who Leveraged Talent into Power and Influence RC 56850

by Connie Bruck
read by Roy Avers
4 cassettes
Biography of the entertainment industry's most powerful force: the president of Music Corporation of America.

Traces Wasserman's career rise from the 1940s to the 1990s. Discusses relationships between Hollywood stars, mobsters, and politicians, as well as the deals Wasserman engineered that reshaped the movie business. Some strong language. Bestseller 2003.

Worth the Fighting For: A Memoir
RC 56852
by John McCain
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
Political recollections of former Vietnam POW and Arizona senator John McCain. Beginning where his 1999 memoir *Faith of My Fathers (RC 48807)* left off, McCain talks candidly about his political career, his understanding of American values, and the role models that have guided him. 2002.

Making Self-Employment Work for People with Disabilities RC 56855
by Cary Griffin and David Hammis
read by John Richardson
3 cassettes
Experienced vocational counselors offer a practical handbook that provides individuals with disabilities information on how to start and maintain a small business. Includes suggestions on preparing a business plan and market strategies, understanding and using government programs, and finding mentors and useful web sites. 2003.

Insurance Solutions, Plan Well—Live Better: A Workbook for People with a Chronic Disease or Disability
RC 56856
by Laura D. Cooper
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Emphasizes the importance of advance insurance protection planning to account for the possibility of a chronic illness or disability. Provides work sheets, examples, exercises, and instructions to help people inventory and evaluate their current insurance and improve their health care portfolios. Also suggests strategies for obtaining coverage when traditional sources appear foreclosed. 2002.

The Kennedy Curse: Why America's First Family Has Been Haunted by Tragedy for One Hundred and Fifty Years
RC 56880
by Edward Klein
read by Michael Scherer
2 cassettes
Author of *Just Jackie (RC 49210)* explores the self-destructive behavior patterns of the Kennedy clan that have frequently led to tragedy. Chronicles the ill fortunes of various family members from the first immigrants to America to John Jr. and his "doomed" marriage to Carolyn Bessette. Some strong language. Bestseller 2003.

What Becomes of the Brokenhearted: A Memoir RC 56881
by E. Lynn Harris
read by Michael Scherer
2 cassettes
Autobiography by gay, African American, bestselling author of *Invisible Life (RC 38731)*. Describes his humble beginnings in Arkansas, his career development, failed romantic relationships, bouts with depression, and deep faith in God. Strong language and some violence. Bestseller 2003.

Paige by Paige: A Year of Trading Spaces RC 56923
by Paige Davis
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Host of television's popular decorating show *Trading Spaces* describes a year in the lives of the cast and crew as they crisscross the United States. Beginning in June 2002 with the third season, Paige offers behind-the-scenes information on taping the episodes, various designers, decorating mishaps, and unveiling newly finished rooms. Bestseller 2003.

King David: The Real Life of the Man Who Ruled Israel RC 56945
by Jonathan Kirsch
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Author of *The Harlot by the Side of the Road (RC 45959)* and *Moses (RC 47585)* investigates the reign of David, king of the Jews (c. 1005–965 B.C.E.). Reconstructs David's life and examines incidents related in the Bible, assessing the king's ruthlessness and moral character. 2000.

Death as a Way of Life: Israel Ten Years after Oslo RC 56948
by David Grossman
read by Ken Kliban
1 cassette
Essays by an Israeli author in response to the escalating regional violence in the decade since the signing of the 1993 Oslo Accords—a supposed framework for peace—by Israeli prime minister Yitzhak Rabin and PLO leader Yasir Arafat. Grossman comments on further peace negotiations and disappointments, terrorist attacks, and possibilities for harmonious coexistence. 2003.

The Pacific War RC 56949
by John Costello
read by Jake Williams
7 cassettes in 2 containers
Comprehensive account of political, economic, and military actions in the Pacific during World War II. Examines strategies behind the campaign, from the Allied entry into the war to the decision to use the atomic bomb. Reconstructs internal government affairs by referencing official documents and military records. 1981.

Memoirs: A Twentieth-Century Journey in Science and Politics RC 56986
by Edward Teller
read by Bill Wallace
5 cassettes
Memoir of Hungarian-born scientist Edward Teller's life from 1908 through 2000. Teller chronicles the people and events that shaped his career. He describes his coming to America in 1935, where he worked on nuclear weapons during and after World War II and was instrumental in the development of the hydrogen bomb. 2001.

Persecution: How Liberals Are Waging War against Christianity RC 57012
by David Limbaugh
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
The author of *Absolute Power (RC 52167)* "chronicles discrimination against Christians in American society." Asserts that the U.S. Constitution's "separation of church and state" is misinterpreted and that liberals practice religious bigotry while preaching "secular humanism." Bestseller 2003.

Prophecies: 4,000 Years of Prophets, Visionaries, and Predictions RC 57015
by Tony Allan
read by Janis Gray
2 cassettes
An overview of prophetic traditions of world cultures. Discusses China's *Yi Jing*, the Aztec calendar, and African divination as well as forecasts from outstanding seers like Nostradamus and the Cumaean Sibyl. Each chapter corresponds to a source of prognostication including divine inspiration, dreams, secular clairvoyance, and logical reasoning. 2002.

Treason by the Book RC 57019
by Jonathan D. Spence
read by Lou Harpenau
3 cassettes
Recalls a case of treason against the Chinese Qing dynasty in 1728, when criticisms of the Manchu emperor Yongzheng were raised by conspirator Zeng Jing. Instead of sentencing the traitor to death, the emperor responded to his protests in a book called *Awakening from Delusion* that he distributed throughout the country. 2001.

The Greatest Experiment Ever Performed on Women: Exploding the Estrogen Myth RC 57023
by Barbara Seaman
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Cofounder of the National Women's Health Network explains the controversy surrounding the use of hormone replacement drugs—primarily estrogen—for birth control, menopause, and post-menopause. Traces the history of their development, marketing, and use in the twentieth century. Suggests that women are at risk from doctors who view menopause as a disease. 2003.

A Time to Die: The Untold Story of the *Kursk* Tragedy RC 57027
by Robert Moore
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
British television correspondent recreates the sinking of a Russian nuclear submarine in the Arctic Circle on August 12, 2000, and the disastrous subsequent rescue efforts. Analyzes the failure of Vladimir Putin's government to enlist timely outside help. 2002.

Living with Shingles: New Hope for an Old Disease RC 57028
by Mary-Ellen Siegel and Gray Williams
read by Patricia McDermott
1 cassette
Discusses the symptoms and progression of shingles, a medical problem brought about by reactivation of the varicella-zoster virus that causes chicken pox in childhood. Outlines methods of treatment, complications, and possible prevention in the future through a promising new vaccine. 1998.

America's Splendid Little Wars: A Short History of U.S. Military Engagements, 1975–2000 RC 57032
by Peter Huchthausen
read by Tom Burch
2 cassettes
Retired naval officer and author of *K-19: The Widowmaker (RC 55090)* traces America's post-Vietnam armed conflicts from the 1975 rescue of the hijacked SS *Mayaguez* in the Gulf of Siam through the 1990s interventions in the Balkans. Includes U.S. failures in Lebanon, Iran, and Somalia and victories in

Desert Storm, Grenada, and Panama. 2003.

Ghosts of Tsavo: Stalking the Mystery Lions of East Africa RC 57035
by Philip Caputo
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
Novelist and travel/adventure writer Caputo explores the nature and terrain of the maneless lions documented and mythologized in J.H. Patterson's 1907 *Man-Eaters of Tsavo (RC 46487)*. Caputo reports on trips to Kenya and interviews with scientists researching the phenomenon of lions that stalk human prey and terrorize local villagers. 2002.

Don't Mess with My Money: The Dolans' No-Nonsense Lifetime Money Plan RC 57036
by Ken Dolan and Daria Dolan
read by Jack Fox
3 cassettes
Practical money guide from the hosts of a top-rated personal finance radio show. The Dolans reveal loopholes and insider secrets as they candidly discuss how to organize financial resources and safeguard capital against unexpected events like layoffs and illness. Other topics include debt reduction, investing, family management, and retirement. 2003.

I Am a Soldier, Too: The Jessica Lynch Story RC 57047
by Rick Bragg
read by Margaret Strom
1 cassette
Relates the experiences of nineteen-year-old U.S. Army private Jessica Lynch, captured during an ambush in March 2003 in southern Iraq and dramatically rescued weeks later, catapulting her into the international spotlight. Describes her West Virginia childhood and adjustment upon returning home wounded. Some violence and some strong language. Bestseller 2003.

A Journey: The Autobiography of Apolo Anton Ohno RC 57065
by Apolo Anton Ohno
read by Mark Ashby
1 cassette
A Japanese American short track ice skater, who won both a silver and a gold medal in the 2002 Salt Lake City Olympics at age nineteen, presents an account of his life and career. Ohno describes his upbringing and training, his injuries and illnesses, and his later success. For senior high and older readers. 2002.

Bushwhacked: Life in George W. Bush's America RC 57075
by Molly Ivins and Lou Dubose
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
Examines the impact and legacy of Bush administration policy. Critically dissects the two tax cuts, environmental issues, financial scandals, education and foreign policy, civil and workers' rights, and workplace standards. Offers suggestions for economic and political reform. Some strong language. Bestseller 2003.

Bob Hope: My Life in Jokes RC 57077
by Bob Hope
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
The late comedian, who died in 2003 at one hundred years of age, tells his life story through jokes—organized by decade—revealing his family, experiences, interests, and personal and political thoughts. Reminisces about his long career in show business on the radio, screen, and television—and in the war

theaters entertaining American troops. Introduction by daughter Linda. 2003.

Street Soldier: My Life as an Enforcer for Whitey Bulger and the Boston Irish Mob RC 57080

by Edward J. MacKenzie and Phyllis Karas
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
A former drug dealer for south Boston's Irish mafia head chronicles his violent life of crime. MacKenzie's edgy memoir portrays his abuse in childhood, juvenile delinquency, and the bust that landed him in prison—when mob boss and longtime FBI informant Whitey Bulger turned him in. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2003.

The Founding Fish RC 57081

by John McPhee
read by Jack Fox
3 cassettes
Inspired by obsession, Delaware River fisherman McPhee explores the nature and biology of shad and the historical role of the species in America. He reconstructs the fish's legendary connections to the founding fathers—shad saved George Washington's army from starvation at Valley Forge. Includes McPhee's personal experiences and scientific research. 2002.

Rogue Nation: American Unilateralism and the Failure of Good Intentions RC 57090

by Clyde Prestowitz
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
Economic strategist explores the roots of American unilateralism and its influence on recent policy decisions regarding trade, energy, global warming, arms control, and the Israel-Palestine question. Prestowitz explains how one-sided U.S. actions are frequently misinterpreted by the global community and have increasingly alienated foreign countries. He urges pursuit of multilateral solutions. 2003.

Ball of Fire: The Tumultuous Life and Comic Art of Lucille Ball RC 57093

by Stefan Kanfer
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Details the life and times of comedienne and sit-com star Lucille Ball (1911–1989), beginning with her difficult childhood in upstate New York. Covers her unhappy marriage to Desi Arnaz and the evolution of her career until she became "the first woman with major economic power in postwar Hollywood." Bestseller 2003.

Before the Change: Taking Charge of Your Perimenopause RC 57110

by Ann Louise Gittleman
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Revised edition of 1998 work explains the symptoms of perimenopause, including hypothyroidism. Suggests natural remedies such as dietary changes and herbal and vitamin supplements. Provides sample menus. Also describes how long-term hormone replacement research was halted in 2002 because of the therapy's cancer risk. Bestseller 2003.

The Great Unraveling: Losing Our Way in the New Century RC 57113

by Paul Krugman
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
Collection of more than one hundred *New York Times* columns by the Prince-

ton economist during 2000–2003 criticizing the second Bush administration, especially its financial directions. Krugman lashes out at a "right-wing conspiracy" while analyzing the global economy, the California energy crisis, the federal budget, and the future of Social Security. Bestseller 2003.

The World according to Mister Rogers: Important Things to Remember RC 57115

by Fred Rogers
read by Brian Conn
1 cassette
Words of wisdom by the late Fred Rogers—composer, writer, puppeteer, and beloved host of TV's "Mister Rogers' Neighborhood" who dedicated his life to serving children through public television. His stories, anecdotes, and insights on life ultimately speak to being yourself, understanding love, and discovering the rewards of inner discipline. Bestseller 2003.

The New Joy of Sex RC 57129

by Alex Comfort
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Updates the classic guide to sex, first published in 1972, stressing the refinements and enjoyment of lovemaking. Describes sexual techniques aimed at adding zest and variety to erotic relations between men and women. Discusses AIDS and other health issues. Companion to *More Joy (RC 57167)*. Explicit descriptions of sex. 1991.

A Time to Love: Stories from the Old Testament RC 57134

by Walter Dean Myers
read by Gail Nelson
1 cassette
A retelling from the perspective of teenage characters of six Bible episodes that explore the complexities of love. Includes the stories of Delilah, Reuben, Naomi, Isaac, Zillah, and Aser. For junior and senior high readers. 2003.

First among Equals: The Supreme Court in American Life RC 57142

by Kenneth W. Starr
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Former solicitor general and independent counsel addresses key Supreme Court decisions made since Chief Justice Earl Warren's 1969 departure. Starr explores the evolution of judicial philosophies and profiles the leadership roles of individual justices. He evaluates the most contentious issues, including abortion, affirmative action, and the 2000 presidential election. 2002.

The Essential Conversation: What Parents and Teachers Can Learn from Each Other RC 57143

by Sara Lawrence-Lightfoot
read by Jill Ferris
3 cassettes
Harvard professor of education examines the dynamics of parent-teacher conferences from the standpoint of both parties, whose relationships are often adversarial and competitive rather than collaborative and empathetic. Suggests ways to make these meetings more productive, especially when broader cultural priorities and values are involved, and to improve home-school connections. 2003.

Genghis Khan: The Conqueror; Emperor of All Men RC 57144

by Harold Lamb
read by Gordon Gould
2 cassettes
The life and times of Mongolian war-

lord Genghis Khan, who conquered half the world from Armenia to Korea by the early thirteenth century and ruled it by terror. Describes his nomadic origins in the Gobi desert, military conquest of Cathay, takeover of Islamic lands, and the empire's eventual collapse after his death in 1227. 1927.

In Schools We Trust: Creating Communities of Learning in an Era of Testing and Standardization RC 57149
by Deborah Meier
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
Founder of alternative public schools argues strongly that standardized tests are irrelevant and invalid methods of assessment. Offers model solutions in the form of small, intimate communities of learning where trust can evolve between educators, parents, and students. Passionate plea for educational reform. 2002.

First Great Triumph: How Five Americans Made Their Country a World Power RC 57156
by Warren Zimmermann
read by Bill Wallace
4 cassettes
Former Foreign Service officer profiles "the fathers of modern American imperialism": John Hay, Henry Cabot Lodge, Alfred T. Mahan, Theodore Roosevelt, and Elihu Root. He chronicles America's territorial expansion between 1898 and 1903 and analyzes how the acquisitions, including the Philippines and Hawaii, launched the United States into world politics. 2002.

Getting Away with Murder: The True Story of the Emmett Till Case RC 57157
by Chris Crowe
read by Bill Wallace
1 cassette
Account of a fourteen-year-old African American boy from Chicago who was murdered in 1955 while visiting relatives in Mississippi. Emmett Till, accused of flirting with a white woman, was subsequently killed by her husband and brother-in-law, who escaped punishment. Some violence and some strong language. For senior high and older readers. 2003.

Gordie Howe: My Hockey Memories RC 57158
by Gordie Howe
read by Jake Williams
1 cassette
Autobiography by Canadian hockey champion, who joined the Detroit Red Wings in 1946 at the age of eighteen. Howe describes his career on the ice; his most famous games; and the athletes he played with, including his two sons. Some strong language. 1999.

Nothing about Us without Us: Disability Oppression and Empowerment RC 57159
by James I. Charlton
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Analysis by U.S. activist in the global disability rights movement. Drawing on interviews of people with disabilities in ten countries in the Americas, Europe, and Third World, Charlton provides a political, economic, and cultural context to better understand and support an emerging international effort seeking

power to resist and end dependency. 1998.

More Joy: A Lovemaking Companion to *The Joy of Sex* RC 57167
by Alex Comfort
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette
Emphasizes human relationships between sex partners and considers sexuality as a source of personal growth. Discusses body language, concerns of the elderly or those with special needs, and ways to overcome sexual hangups. Revises and updates original 1973 edition. Companion to *The New Joy of Sex (RC 57129)*. Explicit descriptions of sex. 1986.

Star-Spangled Manners: In Which Miss Manners Defends American Etiquette (for a Change) RC 57192
by Judith Martin
read by Faith Potts
2 cassettes
Martin's social history analyzes every aspect of American life of the past two centuries, beginning with the Founding Fathers who, "having toppled a government," imagined "themselves capable of becoming master etiquetteers." Topics include how not to be a nuisance, being yourself, disaster (earthquake, fire, bombings) etiquette, public celebrations, and personal appearance. 2003.

The Bakke Case: Quotas in College Admissions RC 57194
by Susan Banfield
read by Robert Sams
1 cassette
Discusses the 1970s case brought by a white male student challenging the affirmative action policy used in admitting students to the University of California medical school. Reviews the divided Supreme Court ruling in 1978 for Bakke, the continuing debate over preferential admission standards, and remaining unanswered questions. For junior and senior high readers. 1998.

Everything You Need to Know about Going to the Gynecologist RC 57269
by Shifra N. Diamond
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
Explains to teens and older readers why gynecological exams are important, when to seek them, and what to expect during one. Also discusses reproductive health including diseases, contraception, and common problems. For senior high and older readers. 1999.

Take Charge of Your Breast Cancer: A Guide to Getting the Best Possible Treatment RC 57296
by John S. Link
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
In this companion to *The Breast Cancer Survival Manual (RC 47548)*, an oncologist encourages women to learn about their condition and participate in treatment decisions. Explains the development and variations of the disease, the risks and benefits of different therapies, and the importance of open communication with one's physicians. 2002.

Antiquity: The Civilization of the Ancient World RC 57301
by Norman F. Cantor
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Survey of major Mediterranean empires from the birth of the Sumerians around 3500 B.C. in the Tigris-Euphrates valley to the fall of the Roman Empire in A.D. 453. Discusses principles of religion, philosophy, politics, health, and

law developed in this period and their continuing influence on modern culture. 2003.

Siren's Dance: My Marriage to a Borderline; a Case Study RC 57310
by Anthony Walker
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
A psychiatrist's memoir of his brief, "pathological" marriage to a woman with borderline personality disorder. While a medical student, Walker falls in love with a patient hospitalized for a suicide attempt. Relates the chaos in his life and the painful decision to leave someone he cannot help. Strong language. 2003.

Inner City Miracle RC 57314
by Greg Mathis
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Star of his own nationally syndicated television show recounts his transformation from troubled inner-city youth to Detroit district court judge. Mathis chronicles his early exploits on the wrong side of the law to the moment, at age seventeen, he learned his mother had cancer—a revelation that turned his life around. Strong language. 2002.

Whatever You Say I Am: The Life and Times of Eminem RC 57318
by Anthony Bozza
read by Bill Quinn
2 cassettes
Chronicles the career of controversial hip-hop artist Marshall "Eminem" Mathers of Detroit, the foremost award-winning white rapper in America. Traces his rise from poverty to musical and film success as well as his personal struggles. Strong language. For senior high and older readers. 2003.

The Assassination of Julius Caesar: A People's History of Ancient Rome RC 57323
by Michael Parenti
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Historian views Julius Caesar's murder by Roman senators on March 15, 44 B.C., as motivated by class warfare, not by a desire to restore republican liberties usurped by a despotic ruler. Posits that the emperor supported economic reforms to benefit the masses and was killed by nobles who resisted giving up power. 2003.

Joyce Ann Brown: Justice Denied RC 57325
by Joyce Ann Brown
read by Gail Nelson
2 cassettes
Experiences of an African American Texas woman wrongly convicted of robbery and murder in 1980. Brown recounts the bewildering criminal trial that resulted in a life sentence, her nightmare behind bars, and her nine-year struggle to prove her innocence. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1990.

Floating off the Page: The Best Stories from the *Wall Street Journal*'s "Middle Column" RC 57335
edited by Ken Wells
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Wall Street Journal feature editor selects over sixty memorable articles from the newspaper's offbeat, front-page column, devoted since 1941 to any staff writer's capricious digression. Often humorous, sometimes serious, and usually under fifteen hundred words, these stories cover various topics from vegetarian

pets to the case for short-sleeve dress shirts. 2002.

The Complete Kama Sutra: The First Unabridged Modern Translation of the Classic Indian Text by Vatsyayana
RC 57344
translated by Alain Daniélou
read by Frank Coffee
4 cassettes
Classic guide to eroticism, exploring the sexual arts and practices of India, collected in the fourth century B.C. Discusses heterosexual and homosexual relationships with numerous variations. Includes commentary by Indian scholars. Explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1994.

Muhammad: A Biography of the Prophet
RC 57345
by Karen Armstrong
read by Ken Kliban
3 cassettes
Prolific writer on the Middle East examines the religious beliefs of the founder of Islam. Investigates the West's distorted view of the Muslim faith and traces the life of Muhammad. Explains how "Islam shares many of the ideals and visions that have inspired both Judaism and Christianity." 2001 preface by the author. 1992.

Adventures in Arabia: Among the Bedouins, Druses, Whirling Dervishes, and Yezidee Devil Worshipers
RC 57348
by W.B. Seabrook
read by Gordon Gould
2 cassettes
In the 1920s an adventurous American and his wife set out for the pleasure of new experiences to wander in the Middle East. Seabrook describes the overland journey and the various ethnic groups encountered—their customs, traditions, stories, and religious practices. 1927.

Audrey Hepburn: An Elegant Spirit
RC 57351
by Sean Hepburn Ferrer
read by Ken Kliban
1 cassette
Recollections by the son of actors Audrey Hepburn and Mel Ferrer. Sean Ferrer details his European childhood and provides intimate glimpses of his mother, her strengths, vulnerabilities, family history, later years, and final illness. Describes her devoted work for UNICEF that Ferrer himself continues. Bestseller 2003.

Cassettes Fiction

Five Complete Mike Hammer Novels: *I, the Jury*; *Vengeance Is Mine*; *The Big Kill*; *My Gun Is Quick*; *Kiss Me, Deadly*
RC 53637
by Mickey Spillane
read by Conrad Feininger
6 cassettes
Five detective novels featuring private detective Mike Hammer. In *I, The Jury*, Hammer vows to track down and kill the murderer of his best friend. His search leads him into a lurid and deadly underworld of drugs and prostitution. Violence, some descriptions of sex, and some strong language. 1987.

Four Blind Mice RC 55046
by James Patterson
read by Peter Jay Fernandez
2 cassettes
Alex Cross helps buddy John Sampson investigate the case of an army sergeant framed for serial murder. The pair dis-

cover a pattern of wrongful military court convictions around the country, but authorities are uncooperative, and the real killer is ready to strike again. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2002.

Best of the West: Stories That Inspired Classic Western Films RC 55165
edited by Bill Pronzini and Martin H. Greenberg
read by Rick Wiseman
1 cassette
Nine western stories that were made into movies: *The Cisco Kid, Face to Face, High Noon, The Man Who Shot Liberty Valance, The Outcasts of Poker Flat, Rio Grande, Three-Ten to Yuma, Town Tamer*, and *Tribute to a Bad Man*. 1986.

River Road: Callahan Brothers Trilogy, Book 2 RC 55262
by JoAnn Ross
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
FBI agent Finn Callahan, suspended for four weeks, has come home to *Blue Bayou (RC 55261)*. Actress Julia Summers is there to film scenes for her soap opera. Although they have opposite personalities, Finn reluctantly becomes her bodyguard when she receives deadly threats. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2002.

The Lonely Men RC 55608
by Louis L'Amour
read by Gary Roan
1 cassette (Reissue)
Orrin Sackett's embittered wife Laura inveigles her brother-in-law Tell to journey into the Sierra Madres by claiming her son was kidnapped by the Apaches. Some violence and some strong language. 1969.

Soul Circus RC 55736
by George P. Pelecanos
read by Chuck Young
2 cassettes
Washington, D.C., private investigator Derek Strange tries to save a drug dealer from the death penalty. With partner Terry Quinn he ends up endangering the life of a young mother. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2003.

All He Ever Wanted RC 55765
by Anita Shreve
read by Dennis Boutsikaris
2 cassettes
New England, early twentieth century. Professor Nicholas Van Tassel first meets Etna Bliss when they escape from a hotel fire. He is immediately drawn to her, and they eventually marry, although she admits she does not really love him. Nicholas's obsessive, one-sided love eventually destroys their family. 2003.

The Jazz Bird RC 55791
by Craig Holden
read by Ray Hagen
2 cassettes
October, 1927. When Cincinnati bootlegger and lawyer George Remus turns himself in after killing his society wife, the question is not whether he did it, but why? Prosecuting attorney Charlie Taft investigates a tale of murder, lust, and betrayal. Based on a true story. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some violence. 2002.

My Heartbeat RC 55794
by Garret Freymann-Weyr
read by Mimi Bederman
1 cassette
Ellen has a crush on James, her older brother Link's best friend. She wonders if Link and James have a sexual rela-

tionship and is not sure where she fits into her friendship with James—until the day James kisses her. Some descriptions of sex. For senior high readers. Printz Honor Book. 2002.

The Cleric Quintet: *Canticle, In Sylvan Shadows, Night Masks, The Fallen Fortress, The Chaos Curse* **RC 55855**
by R.A. Salvatore
read by Erik Sandvold
10 cassettes in 2 containers
Collection of five tales. In the land of Faerûn, a malevolent, consuming essence has been uncorked. The cleric Cadderly must put aside his studies at the Edificant Library to battle the evil. This heroic quest tests his powerful priestly magic as well as the character and courage of his companions. Some violence. 1999.

Must Love Dogs **RC 56004**
by Claire Cook
read by Cyn Delafield
2 cassettes
At the urging of her large family, forty-year-old divorced preschool teacher Sarah Hurlihy turns to the personal ads to find a date. When the first guy turns out to be her own father, she figures things can only get worse, until she borrows her brother's dog as bait. Some strong language. 2002.

Drum's Ring **RC 56008**
by Richard S. Wheeler
read by Mimi Bederman
2 cassettes
Widow Angie Drum runs a one-woman newspaper in Opportunity, Kansas, where her son, Martin, is the mayor. Tracking a story of an unlikely suicide, Angie discovers the city leader is corrupt. She wrestles with her conscience over whether to expose her son and his cronies. Some strong language. 2001.

Red Thunder **RC 56119**
by John Varley
read by Robert Sams
3 cassettes
To keep China from beating America to Mars, an ex-astronaut, his brilliant unconventional cousin, and four young Floridians build their own spaceship—*Red Thunder*—to get there first. Their journey becomes a rescue mission for U.S. spacecraft *Ares Seven*, marooned in space. Some descriptions of sex. 2003.

Late for the Wedding **RC 56251**
by Amanda Quick
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
Regency England. London private detectives Tobias March and Lavinia Lake accept an invitation to a country house party hoping to spend romantic time together. Instead they investigate a murder resembling earlier killings-for-hire and uncover other suspicious deaths, all apparently linked by someone's desire to prevent marriages. Some descriptions of sex. 2003.

Moon Medicine **RC 56340**
by Mike Blakely
read by Chuck Benson
3 cassettes
In 1927, ninety-nine-year-old Honoré Greenwood, aka Moon Medicine, relates his rollicking adventures accompanying the rise and fall of Fort Adobe in Texas. He recalls his loves, and also tells of trading with the Comanche, fighting battles, and ransoming children from captivity. Some descriptions of sex and some violence. 2001.

Ranger's Trail RC 56377
by Elmer Kelton
read by Ted Stoddard
2 cassettes
1874. Former Texas Ranger Rusty Shannon is set to marry Josie Monahan, but in a tragic incident, she is murdered by outlaws. Rusty is bent on revenge and searches for Corey Bascom, the man he thinks killed Josie. Some strong language. 2002.

Beyond Suspicion RC 56556
by James Grippando
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
Attorney Jack Swyteck—last seen in *The Pardon (RC 41625)*—is scammed by a former lover into taking and winning an insurance case that the Russian Mafia is involved in. When she ends up dead in his bathtub, Jack is framed for her murder. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 2002.

Sorority Sisters RC 56618
by Tajuana "TJ" Butler
read by Nanette Savard
2 cassettes
Five sophisticated African American college coeds struggle with relationships, campus life, and the rigors of rushing a prestigious sorority. Cajen, Stephanie, Malena, Tiara, and Chancey search for sisterhood and find lasting friendship during the pledge process. Companion to *Hand-Me-Down Heartache (RC 56619)*. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1998.

Hand-Me-Down Heartache RC 56619
by Tajuana "TJ" Butler
read by Nanette Savard
2 cassettes
After college graduation, Nina Lander leaves her friends from *Sorority Sisters (RC 56618)* and returns to Atlanta to pursue a sports reporting career. She begins a relationship with an abusive basketball player but also dates a budding rap artist. She must choose between them. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2001.

Eyes of the Calculor RC 56636
by Sean McMullen
read by Ray Childs
5 cassettes
Australica, A.D. 3961. The Call ceases, the orbiting Mirrorsun fails, and electronics self-destruct. To save Australica, misguided Dragon Librarians begin rebuilding the human-powered Calculor computer. But when North American Princess Samondel is shot down, she disguises herself as a student to save humanity. Some descriptions of sex and some violence. 2001.

A Man Most Worthy RC 56640
by Marcus Major
read by Constance Crawford
2 cassettes
John Sebastian is a successful thirty-six-year-old African American businessman who has everything—money, cars, a trophy girlfriend—but is still unsatisfied. Business brings him back to his hometown and to Josephine, an old flame and the love of his life. Unfortunately, she's married. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2003.

Moon over Manhattan: Mystery and Mayhem RC 56644
by Larry King and Thomas H. Cook
read by Ray Childs
2 cassettes
Wealthy teenager Allison Vandameer, daughter of a liberal television commentator in New York City, plots a fake elopement to blackmail dad into letting

her attend film school. The plan goes awry when her dim-witted boyfriend, Goonie, gets confused. Further schemes involve Goonie, a doorman, a reporter, and other hustlers. Some strong language. 2003.

The Enemy Has a Face RC 56652
by Gloria D. Miklowitz
read by Anne Hancock
1 cassette
Middle schooler Netta Hofman and her family have temporarily moved to Los Angeles from Israel when her seventeen-year-old brother disappears. Netta becomes convinced that Arab terrorists are involved, even as she befriends a Palestinian boy at school. For junior and senior high readers. 2003.

Avenger: Star Trek; Odyssey, Book 3 RC 56719
by William Shatner
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
A virus lethal to plant life threatens to starve the Federation. Picard and his crew oversee a quarantine, and Kirk—believed dead—suspects the plague may be artificial. Meanwhile, Spock, seeking the truth behind his father Sarek's death, takes a journey that will reunite him with a long-lost friend. Sequel to *The Return (RC 56702)*. 1997.

This Side of Paradise RC 56720
by F. Scott Fitzgerald
read by Gordon Gould
2 cassettes (Reissue)
The author's first novel, published in 1920, is a semiautobiographical piece about a self-indulgent young man and his superficial life. At Princeton University prior to World War I, midwesterner Amory Blaine experiences fleeting relationships and is later unprepared for the real world. 1920.

False Claims at the Little Stephen Mine RC 56743
by Stephen Bly
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
Gunmen fire at Stuart Brannon and Englishman Edwin Fletcher while they are expecting their tardy partner Everett Davis, who's been filing claim on the gold mine they've discovered. Now Brannon learns first-hand about the greed and violence that accompanies gold prospecting. 1992.

Paradise Alley: City of Fire Trilogy, Book 2 RC 56752
by Kevin Baker
read by Richard Hauenstein
5 cassettes
In the waterfront slums of New York City in 1863, three working-class women wait out riots against a military draft decree. Recreates the Irish experience and racial tensions of Civil War-era New York. Sequel to *Dreamland (RC 50727)*. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2002.

The Rock Rats: Asteroid Wars, Book 2 RC 56767
by Ben Bova
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Battle for corporate control of the asteroid belt rages on as Astro Manufacturing competes against seditious rival Humphries Space Systems. Murder and sabotage prevail as the conniving Humphries seeks to recover a lost and reluctant love. Sequel to *The Precipice (RC 56733)*. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2002.

A Body to Die For RC 56769
by Kate White
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
After solving the murder of her employer's nanny in *If Looks Could Kill (RC 54169)*, Bailey Weggins is relaxing at the Cedar Inn. There she discovers a body in the spa, is attracted to the investigating detective, and becomes the killer's next target. Some violence and some strong language. 2003.

Gone Too Far RC 56772
retold by Suzanne Brockmann
read by Barbara Pinolini
4 cassettes
When Navy SEAL Sam Starrett arrives at his wife's Florida home to finalize their divorce, he finds a woman murdered and his infant daughter missing. FBI agent Alyssa Locke—Sam's former lover—heads an investigation possibly linked to the terrorist plot in *Into the Night (RC 55522)*. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2003.

Not Guilty RC 56778
by Patricia MacDonald
read by Margaret Strom
3 cassettes
Keely Weaver is shocked when her second husband drowns in their pool. She is stunned when her teenage son, Dylan, is accused of his stepfather's murder and also that of his father years ago. Keely uses all her resources to find the real killer. Some violence and some strong language. 2002.

Drum RC 56779
by Kyle Onstott
read by Robert Sams
4 cassettes (Reissue)
Author of *Mandingo (RC 49298)* portrays the hardships of three generations of African slaves. The saga begins when Tamboura is given to traders by his brother and taken to Cuba. His son and grandson are raised in New Orleans. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1962.

Shards of Empire RC 56782
by Susan Shwartz
read by Corrie James
4 cassettes
Tenth-century Byzantium. Leo Ducas, a young aristocratic soldier in the service of the emperor and Christ, is betrayed in battle by his own kinsmen. Seeking solace, he travels the length of the empire, eventually meeting Asherah, a Jewess who may hold the key to uniting the people of Asia Minor. Some violence. 1996.

The Gang That Couldn't Shoot Straight RC 56786
by Jimmy Breslin
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Satirical tale of a Brooklyn Mafia family's turf wars. Boss Anthony "Baccala" Pastrumo Sr. organizes a bike race to give restless gangster Kid Sally Palumbo a chance to make some real money, but the scheme veers wildly out of control. Some strong language. 1969.

Blood of Victory RC 56799
by Alan Furst
read by Rick Rohan
2 cassettes
In 1940 Russian émigré writer I.A. Serebin, trapped in Paris in his fifth war, spies for the Allies with his lover Marie-Galante Labonniere, a diplomat's wife. Serebin travels throughout the Balkans trying to prevent Romanian

oil from reaching Germany by barge. Violence and strong language. 2002.

One Man's Bible RC 56800
by Gao Xingjian
read by Robert Sams
3 cassettes
Nobel Prize-winning expatriate's fictionalized autobiographical account of life during China's Cultural Revolution. A dissident artist and intellectual revisits memories of labor-reform school, several love affairs, and the political turmoil of Mao's brutal Communist regime. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1999.

The Feast of the Goat RC 56801
by Mario Vargas Llosa
read by Annie Wauters
4 cassettes
Urania Cabral, returning to the Dominican Republic where her father is terminally ill, recalls her youth during the brutal dictatorship of Rafael Trujillo. Called "the Goat" for his depravity with women, Trujillo was the reason for her forty-year estrangement from her father. Strong language and some violence. 2000.

Leaving Missouri RC 56825
by Ellen Recknor
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Missouri, late nineteenth century. The Jukeses are the lowest of the low—inbred and infamous—and Clutie Mae knows she is meant for something better than life on the family farm. After being forced to marry her cousin, she fights her way to a new life. Violence, some descriptions of sex, and some strong language. 1997.

Remember Me RC 56835
by Laura Hendrie
read by Annie Wauters
3 cassettes
Like most people in Queduro, New Mexico, twenty-nine-year-old Rose Devonic makes a living selling embroidery to tourists. She is an outcast, however, accepted only by her elderly landlord, and when he has a stroke, she is forced to face her tragic past. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1999.

In Her Shoes RC 56836
by Jennifer Weiner
read by Margaret Strom
3 cassettes
Estranged sisters Maggie, who is dyslexic, and Rose Feller, an attorney, were left motherless as children and haven't seen their maternal grandmother, Ella Hirsch, in twenty years. Widowed Ella searches for her granddaughters, and the three attempt to become a family again. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2002.

The Son of Tarzan RC 56843
by Edgar Rice Burroughs
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Tarzan's son is lured away from London by his father's archenemy, but manages to escape to the savage African jungles. He comes to be known as Korak the Killer, a fighter almost as mighty as his father. Sequel to *The Beasts of Tarzan (RC 56842)*. Some violence. 1917.

Tarzan the Untamed RC 56846
by Edgar Rice Burroughs
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes
Following the short story collection *Jungle Tales of Tarzan (RC 56845)*, Tarzan's

tale continues as he returns to his jungle home during World War I to find his farm in shambles and his wife dead. Swearing vengeance, he sets out to track down those responsible. Some violence. 1920.

Tarzan the Terrible RC 56847
by Edgar Rice Burroughs
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Tarzan the Untamed (RC 56846)*, Tarzan learns that Jane is alive and being held captive by the Germans. He searches for months and almost gives up hope until he stumbles upon an unexplored region of the jungle. Some violence. 1921.

Maneater RC 56849
by Gigi Levangie Grazer
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
Clarissa Alpert is a well-connected Hollywood woman-about-town who claims to be twenty-eight and has marriage on her agenda. Aaron Mason, a fabulously wealthy bachelor and would-be producer recently arrived from Georgia, is her willing groom. But Clarissa's husband is not the real Aaron Mason. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2003.

Blindside: An FBI Thriller RC 56851
by Catherine Coulter
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Married FBI agents Lacey Sherlock and Dillon Savich are searching for the serial murderer of math teachers. Meanwhile six-year-old Sam Kettering, son of retired agent Miles, is kidnapped but manages to escape and seeks help from Tennessee sheriff Katie Benedict. Strong language and some violence. Bestseller 2003.

The Bridal Season RC 56853
by Connie Brockway
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
Victorian England. Runaway music hall performer Letty Potts finds a train ticket and travels to Little Bidewell, Northumberland. She is mistaken for wedding planner Lady Agatha Whyte, and manages to orchestrate a high society nuptial. Sir Elliot March, despite his suspicions, falls in love with Letty. Prequel to *Bridal Favors (RC 56854)*. Explicit descriptions of sex. 2001.

Bridal Favors RC 56854
by Connie Brockway
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
England, 1895. Twenty-five-year-old Evelyn Whyte has taken over Aunt Agatha's wedding planning business. She borrows a country estate from Justin Powell for a nuptial. Justin, however, is a spy who falls in love with Evelyn, placing her in danger. Sequel to *Bridal Season (RC 56853)*. Explicit descriptions of sex. 2002.

Blowing Smoke RC 56858
by Barbara Block
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Syracuse pet store owner and sleuth Robin Light is hired by the children of wealthy Rose Taylor to investigate pet psychic Pat Humphrey, who is supposedly conning their mother. Robin is on the case when Pat disappears and Rose's nurse is murdered. Strong language and some violence. 2001.

To Sir Phillip, with Love RC 56868
by Julia Quinn
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Gloucestershire, 1820s. A series of letters between Eloise Bridgerton and Sir Phillip Crane, begun when she sent condolences after his wife's death, leads Phillip to invite Eloise to visit his estate—to determine their suitability for marriage. But is a spirited London lady prepared for country life and a ready-made family? Some descriptions of sex. 2003.

The Killing Hour RC 56869
by Lisa Gardner
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
New FBI agent Kimberly Quincy, daughter of former agent Pierce in *The Next Accident (RC 54334)*, finds a woman's body on the grounds of the Quantico, Virginia, FBI training facility. The "Eco-Killer" from Georgia has struck after five-year dormancy, and Special Agent Mac McCormack arrives to help. Violence and strong language. 2003.

The War of the Flowers RC 56871
by Tad Williams
read by Gary Tipton
5 cassettes
Theo Vilmos is a rock musician whose world is crashing down around him. His girlfriend had a miscarriage and left him, his mother died, and he is having nightmares. When he discovers a book written by a long-dead uncle, Theo's nightmares become real—he is transported to the land of Faerie. Strong language. 2003.

The Teeth of the Tiger RC 56873
by Tom Clancy
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
President Jack Ryan's son, Jack Jr., and Jack Jr.'s cousins Dominic, an FBI agent, and Brian, a marine, join a secret vigilante group that fights terrorism by any means. Together they thwart Islamic and Columbian terrorists aiming to kill innocent Americans at home. Violence and strong language. Bestseller 2003.

The Sinner RC 56875
by Tess Gerritsen
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Boston police detective Jane Rizzoli from *The Apprentice (RC 54928)* and medical examiner Dr. Maura Isles—both lapsed Catholics—gather evidence after two nuns are murdered in a convent. Meanwhile, Maura's ex-husband shows up, Jane learns that she's pregnant, and another woman is found dead. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2003.

Tom Clancy's Op-Center: Sea of Fire RC 56878
by Jeff Rovin
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
When a half-dead Singapore pirate bearing traces of radiation is found floating in the western Pacific, investigating Australian officials seek assistance from Op-Center. Discovery of an empty concrete block at a nuclear waste disposal site indicates illegal trafficking of the dangerous materials. Some violence. Bestseller 2003.

Ilium RC 56883
by Dan Simmons
read by Fred Major
5 cassettes
Twentieth-century professor Thomas Hockenberry has been resurrected by the gods of Mars's Olympos Mons and forced to observe the Trojan War. Aphrodite then assigns him another task—to spy on the other gods and kill her rival, Athena. Violence, some descriptions of sex, and some strong language. 2003.

The Center of Everything RC 56884
by Laura Moriarty
read by Margaret Strom
3 cassettes
Young Evelyn Bucknow lives in a small Kansas town with her immature single mother, Tina. When Evelyn is ten, Tina's affair with her married boss dissolves, leaving her financially and emotionally devastated—and pregnant. Evelyn initially tries to distance herself but learns during high school that people aren't all good or bad. Some strong language. 2003.

Inflating a Dog: The Story of Ella's Lunch Launch RC 56887
by Eric Kraft
read by Michael Scherer
2 cassettes
Peter Leroy recalls an entrepreneurial adventure of his mother: her summer purchase of a clam boat to sell refreshments along the bay. *Arcinella*, however, is slowly sinking despite the secret efforts of thirteen-year-old Peter and his sweetheart, Patti, to keep the boat and his mother's dreams afloat. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2002.

Bleachers RC 56894
by John Grisham
read by Nick Sullivan
1 cassette
After fifteen years former high school quarterback Neely Crenshaw returns to his hometown, where he learns that legendary football coach Eddie Rake lies dying. With other Spartans he reminisces about the "glory days" of their youth while contemplating his own lost potential. Some strong language. Bestseller 2003.

Fatal Tide RC 56902
by Iris Johansen
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
After the apparent death of her foster father, dolphin researcher Melis Nemid continues his search for a legendary underwater city believed to harbor powerful technological secrets. Assisting her is ex-Navy SEAL Jed Kelby, who finds the opportunity—and Melis—irresistible. So does a killer. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2003.

Last Car to Elysian Fields RC 56931
by James Lee Burke
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
One seemingly unrelated crime leads to another for New Iberia, Louisiana, homicide detective Dave Robicheaux. A Catholic priest is beaten, an alcohol-related car accident kills three teenage girls, and a man is murdered. Robicheaux investigates a New Orleans porn operation, a fugitive, and a long-missing blues guitarist. Violence and strong language. Bestseller 2003.

The Namesake RC 56937
by Jhumpa Lahiri
read by Yolande Bavan
3 cassettes
Thirty years in the life of Gogol Ganguli, born to Calcutta immigrants shortly after their 1960s arrival in Boston. Gogol's name is a constant burden to him, so he legally changes it to Nikhil. Yet as a first-generation American stumbling along the path to maturity, he remains defined by the name Gogol. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2003.

Sunday Jews RC 56942
by Hortense Calisher
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
5 cassettes
Though Jewish Zipporah "Zoe" Zangwill is married to a Catholic, Charles Duffy, the New York City family considers itself culturally Jewish. The five children share in each other's lives through adulthood. Zoe, meanwhile, cherishes the potential future of her favorite grandson, Bert—who becomes a rabbi. 2002.

Pen Pals RC 56943
by Olivia Goldsmith
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Wall Street hot shot Jennifer Spencer agrees to take the fall for her boss's insider trading until she is imprisoned in a harsh female correctional facility. Vowing revenge, she enlists the help of her former company's accountant and some fellow inmates, all the while learning about injustice and suffering. Strong language. 2002.

Goldfinger: A James Bond Novel RC 56944
by Ian Fleming
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes (Reissue)
British secret service agent James Bond is pitted against Auric Goldfinger—one of the world's richest men, who is obsessed with gold. Bond infiltrates Goldfinger's organization and foils a plan to rob Fort Knox. Some violence and some strong language. 1959.

The Count of Monte Cristo RC 56946
by Alexandre Dumas
read by Robert Blumenfeld
8 cassettes in 2 containers (Reissue)
Young sailor Edmond Dantès, unjustly accused of helping the exiled Napoleon in 1815, escapes from jail after fourteen years to take revenge on the four men who caused his imprisonment. Now wealthy after recovering a buried treasure, Dantès assumes a new identity and plots the ruin of his accusers. 1845.

The Final Country RC 56947
by James Crumley
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
Milo Milodragovitch, hard-living Texas private eye, gets tangled up with an ex-con who has just committed murder. Milo's burden becomes heavier when his newest client becomes his latest conquest. Strong language, some descriptions of sex, and some violence. 2001.

The Far Tribes: Skye's West RC 56988
by Richard S. Wheeler
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
Elkanah Morse came west with his wife and daughter to study the ways of the far tribes. But only one man is capable of guiding them safely along this dan-

gerous journey and making sure they return alive—the legendary Barnaby Skye. Violence and some descriptions of sex. 1990.

Bitterroot: Skye's West RC 56989
by Richard S. Wheeler
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
In 1853, eager to earn good money, Barnaby Skye agrees—against his better judgment—to guide a pacifist Quaker family into hostile Blackfeet territory. The challenge proves greater than anticipated. Some strong language. 1991.

Light on Lucrezia RC 56990
by Jean Plaidy
read by Gabriella Cavallero
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *Madonna of the Seven Hills (RC 55369)*, Lucrezia Borgia, the illegitimate, divorced daughter of Pope Alexander VI, and a member of one of medieval Italy's most powerful and ruthless families, is used as a pawn in a political struggle for power. 1958.

The Paris Option RC 56991
by Robert Ludlum and Gayle Lynds
read by Bob Askey
3 cassettes
After Dr. Émile Chambord is killed by an explosion at the famed Pasteur Institute in Paris, his research on creating a DNA computer is missing—either destroyed or stolen. Covert-One agent Jon Smith goes to France to make sure the technology hasn't fallen into enemy hands. Some violence. 2002.

And Justice There Is None RC 56992
by Deborah Crombie
read by Barbara Caruso
3 cassettes
When antiques dealer Dawn Arrowood is murdered in Notting Hill, both her husband and her lover become suspects. Inspector Duncan Kincaid and his pregnant mistress, Gemma James—last seen in *A Finer End (RC 55014)*—investigate a prior death, suspecting that a serial killer is targeting the area. Strong language. 2002.

Maigret Hesitates RC 56993
by Georges Simenon
read by Gordon Gould
1 cassette
In Paris, Inspector Maigret receives a strange letter warning of a future murder. He traces the expensive stationary to the household of lawyer Emile Parendon. Maigret interviews the family and staff but does not find the culprit before someone is killed. 1969.

Five Complete Miss Marple Novels RC 56994
by Agatha Christie
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
6 cassettes
Five classic mysteries featuring Miss Marple, including *The Mirror Crack'd*, *A Caribbean Mystery*, *Nemesis*, *What Mrs. McGillicuddy Saw!* (published in England as *4:50 from Paddington*), and *The Body in the Library*. 1980.

The Further Observations of Lady Whistledown RC 56997
by Julia Quinn and others
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Gossip columnist Lady Whistledown of *Romancing Mister Bridgerton (RC 54583)* recounts the adventures of London's social set near Valentine's Day in 1814. Four novellas portray a series of English lords and ladies who flirt mischievously and pretend dislike before finally succumbing to marriage. Some descriptions of sex. 2003.

Shadowsinger: The Spellsong Cycle, Book 5 RC 56998
by L.E. Modesitt
read by Kristin Allison
3 cassettes
Secca, now sorceress protector of the East, finds romance with fellow sorcerer Alcaren. Together they wield their powers against their greatest challengers, from invading Sturinnese to menacing Sea-Priests. Sequel to *The Shadow Sorceress (RC 56999)*. Some violence. For senior high and older readers. 2002.

The Shadow Sorceress: The Spellsong Cycle, Book 4 RC 56999
by L.E. Modesitt
read by Kristin Allison
3 cassettes
Her mentor's death thrusts young sorceress Secca into a leadership role before she has completed her training. The kingdom at stake, Secca endures chauvinism while mastering the sorcery and diplomatic skills needed to guide her allies. Sequel to *Darksong Rising (RC 51327)*. Some violence. For senior high and older readers. 2001.

The Clockwork Testament; or, Enderby's End RC 57000
by Anthony Burgess
read by Graeme Malcolm
1 cassette (Reissue)
A British poet teaching in New York City is attacked by students and journalists outraged by his film script—based on a Gerard Manley Hopkins poem—that Hollywood has turned into an X-rated movie. Burgess aims satirical barbs at American culture and the protest movements of the 1970s. Descriptions of sex and strong language. 1974.

About Face RC 57010
by Fern Michaels
read by Sharon Murray
2 cassettes
After ten years in an asylum, twenty-eight-year-old amnesia patient Casey Edwards joins her mother's new family at a Sweetwater Island estate. As memories trickling back reveal a horrifying past, Casey and a new love search for answers—despite someone who will do anything to hide the truth. Explicit descriptions of sex, violence, and strong language. 2003.

A Twist at the End: A Novel of O. Henry RC 57016
by Steven Saylor
read by Barry Bernson
3 cassettes
Historical mystery novel constructed around grisly serial murders committed in 1885 while Will Porter, the short story writer O. Henry, lived in Austin, Texas. Reveals the racial bigotry and political scandals of post-Civil War Texas, as well as Porter's incarceration for embezzlement. Some strong language. 2000.

Hard News RC 57018
by Jeffery Deaver
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
To further her career and free an innocent convict, spunky New York camerawoman Rune does the story of an inmate's conviction for murdering the former network news head. Once she starts investigating, it becomes clear that someone wants the piece killed—and possibly Rune herself. Strong language and some violence. 1991.

Twenty Thousand Leagues under the Sea RC 57020
by Jules Verne
read by Fred Major
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Classic of nineteenth-century speculative fiction relates the adventures of a French professor and his two companions as they sail beneath the world's oceans as prisoners of the fabulous electric submarine *Nautilus* under the command of the deranged Captain Nemo. 1869.

Praying for Sleep RC 57021
by Jeffery Deaver
read by Ray Foushee
3 cassettes
Flood warnings accompany news that mental patient Michael Hrubek has escaped—and may be pursuing teacher Lis Atcheson, a key witness at his murder trial. As Lis awaits the storm and her ex- marine/lawyer husband hunts for Hrubek, the truth behind the murder is revealed. Strong language, some explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. 1994.

The Renegade RC 57025
by Cliff Farrell
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
Former army officer-turned-prospector Mike McVey feels obliged to help when his friend Esau Solomon, a freed slave, kidnaps an army bride-to-be, Nancy, in retaliation for the death of his Cheyenne wife. While attempting to rescue Nancy and aid Esau, Mike learns of an Indian plot to ambush the soldiers at a nearby fort. 1970.

The Lesson of Her Death RC 57029
by Jeffery Deaver
read by Alec Volz
3 cassettes
The discovery of a college coed's body, then her roommate's body, indicates the presence of a serial murderer in New Lebanon, Indiana. Detective Bill Corde questions professors and students while his nine-year-old daughter, Sarah—who struggles with severe learning disabilities—is secretly befriended by the killer. Strong language, some descriptions of sex, and some violence. 1993.

A Family Reunion RC 57034
by Brenda Jackson
read by Erin Jones
3 cassettes
Four African American cousins meet for the first time in fifteen years at the Bennett family reunion in Georgia. The bond they once had is severely tested as hidden desires and long-kept secrets are revealed. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2001.

Still Life with Crows RC 57038
by Douglas Preston and Lincoln Child
read by John Polk
3 cassettes
FBI agent Pendergast, last seen in *The Cabinet of Curiosities (RC 54730)*, is summoned to Medicine Creek, Kansas, a sleepy farm town menaced by a gruesome serial killer. Somehow the murders are connected to the community's outlaw past, and Pendergast has to discover the connection. Violence and some strong language. 2003.

Ten Thousand Islands RC 57039
by Randy Wayne White
read by Michael Russotto
2 cassettes
Doc Ford agrees to help a woman

whose teenage daughter's grave has been desecrated. Fifteen years earlier, the girl had discovered an ancient Calusa Indian medallion before committing suicide. Now someone wants it enough to go to murderous lengths. Strong language, some explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. 2000.

The Proposal: The English Garden, Book 1 RC 57040
by Lori Wick
read by Vanessa Maroney
2 cassettes
England, 1810. William Jennings has never wished for the companionship of marriage, but when he becomes the guardian of three children, his life changes entirely. With his sister's help, William not only learns how to care for the children, but finds love and faith in God. Prequel to *The Rescue (RC 57044)*. 2002.

Crazy in Berlin RC 57041
by Thomas Berger
read by Mark Ashby
3 cassettes
Carlo Reinhart, an army medic in occupied Berlin, is a German American appalled by the Holocaust and postwar disarray. He falls into many misadventures—bizarre, poignant, and comic—during his tour and eventually spends time in a psycho ward before returning home. Some strong language. Followed by *Reinhart in Love (RC 57045)*. 1958.

Death by Hollywood RC 57046
by Steven Bochco
read by Gregory Gorton
1 cassette
Screenwriter Bobby Newman witnesses a murder while spying on his neighbors. Hoping to create a movie script about the crime, he doesn't tell the cops but instead befriends both lead detective Dennis Farentino and the killer. That decision turns out deadly for Bobby. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2003.

Forever and Always RC 57049
by Jude Deveraux
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Forever . . . (RC 55065)*, the love of Darci Montgomery's life, her husband Adam, mysteriously disappears. While Darci tries to locate him by using her psychic powers, she also helps an African American Hollywood actor search for his missing son on a haunted plantation. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2003.

The Visitor: The English Garden, Book 3 RC 57052
by Lori Wick
read by Vanessa Maroney
2 cassettes
London, 1812. Temporarily blinded by a fall, Alexander Tate has doctor's orders to rest and allow God's healing to work. Tate heads for his Aunt Harriet's country home in Collingbourne. When Cassandra Steele begins reading to Tate, love blossoms. Cassandra's sister Lizzy also finds love. Sequel to *The Rescue (RC 57044)*. 2003.

Blow Fly RC 57073
by Patricia Cornwell
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
Dr. Kay Scarpetta, forensics consultant, investigates the eight-year-old murder of a Louisiana socialite. Now a serial killer is operating there. Death-row maniac Jean-Baptiste Chandonne from *The Last Precinct (RC 50875)* knows something about both situations and

lures Kay to visit him. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2003.

Lawless RC 57074
by Nora Roberts
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Sarah Conway travels from Philadelphia to Lone Bluff, Arizona, to reunite with her father after twelve years, but on her arrival learns he has died. Determined to tame both the wildness of the Old West and of half-Apache Jake Redman, she unravels the mystery of her father's death. Some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1989.

The Last Mountain Man: Mountain Man, Book 1 RC 57076
by William W. Johnstone
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
1865. Sixteen-year-old Kirby Jensen and his father, home from the Civil War, leave their Missouri farm and head west. Two years later Kirby's father is killed, and Kirby—now called Smoke—is out for revenge. Under the tutelage of an old mountain man named Preacher, Smoke begins his journey to becoming a legend. 1984.

Big If RC 57079
by Mark Costello
read by Jill Fox
3 cassettes
After her father's death, twenty-five-year-old Vi Asplund becomes a Secret Service bodyguard. Her software engineer brother dreams of marketing BigIf, an Internet war game. Personal lives unfold when Vi joins a team protecting the vice president. Strong language, some explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. National Book Award Finalist. 2002.

Orbital Resonance RC 57085
by John Barnes
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
Space, 2025. Melpomene Murray is a typical teenager who happens to live on an asteroid colony. When classmate Theophilus Harrison arrives from the devastated Earth, she begins to care about the future of her ancestral planet while some plans for her future develop. Some strong language. For senior high and older readers. 1991.

Preacher's Peace: The First Mountain Man RC 57088
by William W. Johnstone
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
1824. Art, a young mountain man, is betrayed while leading a trapping party up the Missouri River to make peace and then imprisoned by vengeful Blackfeet Indians. But the night before he is about to die, Art wins the respect of his captors, his freedom, and a new name—Preacher. Some violence. 2003.

Quinn's Complete Seduction RC 57094
by Sandra Steffen
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
More than a year ago Nathan Quinn's wife died. As spring blossoms, he considers that it is time to find a new woman to help raise his daughter, Holly. Crystal Galloway, new to Jasper Gulch, South Dakota, is also searching for something, but not a husband. 2001.

Full Speed RC 57096
by Janet Evanovich and
Charlotte Hughes
read by Colleen Delany
2 cassettes
Newspaper editor Jamie Swift and millionaire playboy Max Holt team up—Jamie with her new dog called Fleas, Max with his artificial intelligence system, Muffin—to break a corruption ring involving an itinerant minister and the mob. Some descriptions of sex and some violence. Bestseller 2003.

The Great Fire RC 57098
by Shirley Hazzard
read by Steven Crossley
2 cassettes
1947. Thirty-two-year-old British major Aldred Leith comes from China to Occupied Japan to report on conditions at Hiroshima. Postwar loneliness haunts him and his friend Peter Exley, who saved his life in battle. Leith falls in love with teenaged Australian Helen Driscoll, who is also struggling to recover from personal trauma. National Book Award. 2003.

Safe Harbour RC 57100
by Danielle Steel
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
After losing her husband and son, Ophélie Mackenzie and her eleven-year-old daughter, Pip, spend a summer at the beach where Pip befriends lonely artist Matt Bowles. Matt and Ophélie find solace together through heartache and betrayal until romance replaces their grief. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2003.

Temptation RC 57101
by Nora Roberts
read by Sharon Murray
1 cassette
Once pampered, wealthy, and engaged to be married, Eden Carlbough is now unattached and in financial straits when her father dies. With her scant savings Eden and a friend start Camp Liberty, and a new romance blossoms. Some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1987.

Popped: A Regan Reilly Mystery RC 57104
by Carol Higgins Clark
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Los Angeles private investigator Regan Reilly sojourns to Las Vegas to help school chum Danny Madley win a hot-air balloon contest that could lead to a television sitcom. Someone is sabotaging the show, and Regan keeps busy checking out the contestants, old girlfriends, and showbiz types. 2003.

Mysterious RC 57108
by Nora Roberts
read by Madelyn Buzzard
4 cassettes
Each heroine in this trio of novels meets a man of mystery. In "This Magic Moment," an illusionist yearns for a show promoter. In "Search for Love," an American inherits an estate in France. In "The Right Path," a woman encounters a man wielding a knife. Some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2003.

Sullivan's Woman RC 57109
by Nora Roberts
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
San Francisco. Cassidy St. John needs a job to sustain her while she pursues her dream of writing. She accepts an offer

from painter Colin Sullivan to model for him—and has trouble ignoring his charm. Some descriptions of sex. Best-seller 1984.

Dune: The Machine Crusade; Legends of Dune, Volume 2 RC 57121
by Brian Herbert and
Kevin J. Anderson
read by J.P. Linton
5 cassettes
Several decades after *Dune: The Butlerian Jihad (RC 54949)*, the crusade against the thinking machines continues as billions of lives are lost. As the machines conquer more colonies, Jihad spiritual leader Serena Butler travels to Corrin to try compromising with Omnius. Meanwhile scientist Norma Cenva has discovered a way to "fold" space. 2003.

Vanishing Act RC 57124
by Thomas Perry
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Jane Whitefield provides people with new identities. But when ex-cop John Felker needs her services, business turns risky. Jane draws from her Seneca heritage to uncover the truth about her mysterious client. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1995.

The Riddle of Ramrod Ridge RC 57125
by William Colt MacDonald
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Sharpshooter Nogales Scott and his companion Caliper Maxwell rescue Jiménez, a Mexican being tortured for information by scoundrel Deacon Trumbull and his sidekicks. Jiménez knows more than he's saying about Fred Vincent's riding out of Ramrod Ridge with $30,000 in gold and disappearing into thin air. Some strong language. 1941.

Rabbit-Proof Fence RC 57127
by Doris Pilkington
read by Lisette Lecat
1 cassette
Australia, 1931. Novelization of the trip on foot across Australia by three part-Aboriginal girls, who run away from their inhumane government resettlement school to return home. Molly, Daisy, and Gracie trek through the wilderness to be reunited with their families. 1996.

The Mocking Program RC 57128
by Alan Dean Foster
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes
After thirty years working the Montezuma Strip, Inspector Cardenas knows his current homicide is anything but routine, particularly because the dead man has two identities. When the victim's wife and daughter mysteriously disappear, Cardenas's investigation becomes a mission to find and protect them. Some violence and some strong language. 2002.

Singing the Dogstar Blues RC 57131
by Alison Goodman
read by Norma Lana
1 cassette
Joss Aaronson is close to being expelled from the university where she studies time travel. Mavkel, a newly arrived telepathic student from another planet, then selects her as his study partner and roommate. When Joss discovers she is being stalked by an assassin, the two combine skills to search for reasons. For senior high readers. 1998.

Windtalkers RC 57132
by Max Allan Collins
read by J.P. Linton
2 cassettes
War-torn Pacific, World War II. Sergeant Enders is assigned to protect Navajo "codetalker" Ben Yahzee, an expert in the secret military code based on his own language. Amidst brutalities of war, they must keep the code out of Japanese hands. Based on the screenplay of a major film. Violence and strong language. 2001.

The Heaven of Mercury RC 57135
by Brad Watson
read by Frank Coffee
2 cassettes
Mercury, Mississippi, radio announcer and newspaperman Finus Bates has loved Birdie since 1917, when he spied her doing a naked cartwheel. Despite mutual attraction, both married others. Now an investigation into the decades-old death of Birdie's husband illuminates the past. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2002.

Permanence RC 57136
by Karl Schroeder
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Fleeing her abusive half-brother, Rue Cassels steals a shuttle from her mining station and heads for Treya. Along the way, she inadvertently lays claim to an abandoned starship, a find that will make her rich—or dead. Some strong language. For senior high and older readers. 2002.

The Shadows of Power RC 57138
by James W. Huston
read by Richard Davidson
3 cassettes
When Lieutenant Stovic is called a hero for shooting down an Algerian fighter plane, the enraged brother of the slain pilot, a student in the United States, turns to terrorism to exact revenge. CIA agent Rathman and National Security Advisor Sarah St. John work to uncover the plot. Some violence and some strong language. 2002.

The Haunted Wizard: A Wizard in Rhyme, Book 6 RC 57140
by Christopher Stasheff
read by Erik Sandvold
3 cassettes
The king and queen of Bretanglia are outraged when their son and heir apparent to the throne is murdered in a Merovence tavern brawl—exacerbating already tense relations. To prevent a war, royal wizard Matthew Mantrell volunteers to track the killer. Sequel to *My Son, the Wizard (RC 48841)*. 2000.

Good Cop, Bad Cop RC 57147
by Barbara D'Amato
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Chicago police superintendent Nick Bertolucci and his brother, misfit patrolman Aldo, have been enemies since childhood thanks to their abusive policeman father, Nico. After Nico's death Aldo finds evidence linking Nick to the Black Panther massacre of 1969 and decides to ruin him. Violence and strong language. 1998.

McNally's Folly RC 57148
by Lawrence Sanders and Vincent Lardo
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Richard Holmes, husband of Hollywood golden girl Desdemona Darling—the star of an upcoming Palm Beach theater production—hires Archy McNally, a local law firm's head of discreet inquiries, to investigate DeeDee's psychic. DeeDee then recruits Archy to direct the play, but the real drama unfolds when Richard is poisoned. 2000.

Success to the Brave: Richard Bolitho Novels, Volume 15 RC 57151
by Alexander Kent
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes (Reissue)
In 1802 Vice-Admiral Richard Bolitho is ordered to supervise the return of the island of San Felipe to the French. Bolitho reluctantly leaves his pregnant wife, but when he arrives in the Caribbean, the island's corrupt governor refuses to cooperate. Sequel to *A Tradition of Victory (RC 49930)*. 1983.

Into the Woods: The De Beers Family, Volume 4 RC 57154
by V.C. Andrews
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
After her father's death, teenager Grace Houston and her mother, Jackie, move to Palm Beach, Florida. As Grace struggles with her own loss, Jackie becomes consumed by an extravagant lifestyle that leaves innocent Grace vulnerable. Sequel to *Twisted Roots (RC 55059)*. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some violence. 2003.

Death of a Dustman RC 57161
by M.C. Beaton
read by John Horton
1 cassette
Police sergeant Hamish Macbeth of Lochdubh, Scotland, investigates the murder of the tyrannical garbage collector, Fergus Macleod, shortly after he is promoted to an environment officer. Macbeth uncovers blackmail, abuse, and another murder. 2001.

An Experiment in Treason RC 57163
by Bruce Alexander
read by George Holmes
2 cassettes
London, 1773. Blind Sir John Fielding and his assistant, Jeremy Proctor, investigate the burglary of the house of the secretary of state for the American colonies. The crime, the theft of a packet of letters, and subsequent murder of one of the culprits, leads to the famous Dr. Benjamin Franklin. 2002.

Imitation in Death RC 57165
by J.D. Robb
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
2059. NYPD lieutenant Eve Dallas, investigating a gruesome murder resembling Jack the Ripper's style, finds a taunting note signed "Jack." At a second homicide scene, another note, signed "Al," appears reminiscent of Albert DeSalvo, the Boston Strangler. Eve scours the country for clues. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. Bestseller 2003.

Ventus RC 57168
by Karl Schroeder
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
4 cassettes
Lady Calandria May arrives on Ventus to destroy an entity known as Armiger.

She needs the help of young Jordan Mason, who has visions linked to the god-like "Winds" that rule the planet. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. For senior high and older readers. 2000.

Hello, Darkness RC 57173
by Sandra Brown
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Paris Gibson, host of a popular Austin radio program, receives a call from a man planning to kill the girlfriend who left him on Paris's advice. The hunt is on with the help of Paris's old flame. But are they looking for the right man? Strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2003.

The Body in the Lighthouse: A Faith Fairchild Mystery RC 57193
by Katherine Hall Page
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Faith Fairchild and her family are vacationing at their seaside Maine cabin when they become embroiled in a feud between developers and islanders. After a real estate agent is poisoned and a builder is murdered, Faith risks her own life to find the culprit. 2003.

Chickahominy Fever: A Civil War Mystery RC 57197
by Ann McMillan
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
Richmond, Virginia; 1862. Narcissa Powers and freedwoman Judah Daniel nurse the sick and wounded while war rages around the Confederate capital. Meanwhile, spies posing as servants infiltrate president Jefferson Davis's household and steal plans for the defense of the city. Some strong language. 2003.

An Eye of the Fleet: A Nathaniel Drinkwater Novel, Book 1 RC 57218
by Richard Woodman
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
Midshipman Nathaniel Drinkwater first sees action aboard HMS *Cyclops* during the Moonlight Battle of 1780. While gaining experience, he deals with the tyranny of a senior midshipman, meets and falls in love with a vicar's daughter, and faces battles in America. Prequel to *A King's Cutter (RC 57219)*. Some violence and some strong language. 1981.

Alchemy RC 57236
by Margaret Mahy
read by Gary Tipton
2 cassettes
Seventeen-year-old Roland is blackmailed by his teacher, Mr. Hudson, to spy on unpopular girl classmate Jess Ferret. Roland discovers that she is studying alchemy and that their destinies are linked with that of a power-hungry magician. Some strong language. For senior high readers. 2003.

Morality for Beautiful Girls RC 57246
by Alexander McCall Smith
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Mma Ramotswe, the owner of the Number One Ladies' Detective Agency in Botswana, is asked by an important government official to investigate the poisoning of his brother's family. Meanwhile, she gets a call to verify the moral virtues of young ladies in a "beauty and integrity" pageant. 2001.

Roger Zelazny's The Dawn of Amber: The New Amber Trilogy, Book 1 RC 57289
by John Gregory Betancourt
read by John Horton
2 cassettes
An attack from hell-creatures leaves Oberon's lady dead, his homeland in ruins, and many questions. A search for answers reveals his mystical heritage and a powerful family legacy as ancient rivals in the Courts of Chaos plot their revenge. Prequel to *Chaos and Amber (RC 57321)*. Some violence. 2002.

Out on a Limb: A Claire Malloy Mystery RC 57291
by Joan Hess
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
While Arkansas bookseller Claire Malloy tries to help an elderly environmentalist protesting developer Anthony Armstrong's new housing project plans, Armstrong's unmarried daughter Daphne leaves her baby on Claire's doorstep. After Armstrong is found dead and Daphne is arrested for murder, Claire sets out to uncover the truth. Some strong language. 2002.

Not Quite Kosher RC 57293
by Stuart M. Kaminsky
read by Richard Davidson
2 cassettes
Chicago cop Abe Lieberman investigates a jewelry store robbery that ended in murder. Meanwhile, he's stuck paying for his grandson's bar mitzvah, and partner Bill Hanrahan finally decides to marry his Chinese girlfriend. Some violence and some strong language. 2002.

Hidden Leaves: The DeBeers Family, Volume 5 RC 57294
by V.C. Andrews
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Two stories about Willow DeBeers and her family. In the title work, Willow learns from her late psychiatrist father's personal diary about his secret affair with her real mother. "Dark Seed" relates Willow's early years in South Carolina with a cruel adoptive mother. Sequel to *Into the Woods (RC 57154)*. 2003.

Agatha Raisin and the Day the Floods Came RC 57297
by M.C. Beaton
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
2 cassettes
Miserable after her failed marriage, Agatha finds solace on an island vacation. Returning home, she spies the body of a young bride floating in a river. Curiosity aroused, Agatha investigates with help from her mystery writer neighbor. Sequel to *Agatha Raisin and the Love from Hell (RC 54470)*. 2002.

In the Bedroom: Seven Stories RC 57303
by Andre Dubus
read by Gordon Gould
1 cassette
Tales of pivotal moments in people's lives. In "Killings" a grief-stricken father tries to assuage his wife's sorrow by confronting their son's murderer—who is out on bail. This story inspired the screenplay for the movie *In the Bedroom*. Some strong language. 2002.

One Shot RC 57304
by Susan Glick
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
Fifteen-year-old Lorrie Taylor returns to Maryland to live with her dad and new stepmother. She finds a summer job helping elderly, famous photographer Molly Price. Inspired by Molly's work, Lorrie pursues her own interest in taking pictures while reconnecting with old friends. For senior high readers. 2003.

Harlem Redux RC 57306
by Persia Walker
read by Bill Quinn
3 cassettes
Harlem, 1920s. Lawyer David McKay returns home when he learns of his sister Lilian's suicide. David becomes suspicious when Lilian's husband, Jameson Sweet, takes over the family home and fortune. When Sweet is murdered, David becomes the prime suspect. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2000.

High Heat RC 57311
by Carl Deuker
read by Nick Sullivan
2 cassettes
Seattle sophomore and baseball pitching phenom Shane Hunter finds his affluent life at an end when his father is arrested for money laundering. After he moves into city housing with his mother and sister, Shane transfers from private to public school and almost loses his love for the game. For senior high readers. 2003.

Chaos and Amber: The New Amber Trilogy, Book 2 RC 57321
by John Gregory Betancourt
read by John Horton
2 cassettes
After surviving attacks on his family in *The Dawn of Amber (RC 57289)*, Lord Oberon accompanies his half-brother, Aber, and his father, Dworkin, to petition the Courts of Chaos. When Dworkin disappears, Oberon and Aber forge alliances that lead to a dreaded betrothal and a deadly duel. Some descriptions of sex and some violence. 2003.

Train RC 57474
by Pete Dexter
read by Richard Davidson
2 cassettes
Los Angeles, 1953. Cop Miller Packard encourages black caddy Lional "Train" Walk to improve his golf game. Packard marries wealthy widow Norah, a member of the country club, after investigating her husband's murder. But violence and racism fill their lives. Explicit descriptions of sex, violence, and strong language. Bestseller 2003.

No Graves as Yet: A Novel of World War I RC 57506
by Anne Perry
read by George Holmes
3 cassettes
England, June 1914. Reverend Joseph Reavley, a professor at Cambridge, and his brother Matthew, an intelligence officer, investigate their parents' suspicious deaths. Their father, a former politician, had alerted them that he possessed a secret document—now missing. Meanwhile, a pacifist student at the university is murdered amidst rumors of war. 2003.

In the Country of the Young RC 57517
by Lisa Carey
read by Terry Donnelly
2 cassettes
Reclusive artist Oisin MacDara, of Irish heritage and gifted in his youth with second sight, yearns to encounter the spirit of his twin sister, Nieve, who died at fifteen. Instead, Aisling—the ghost of a young girl—enters his home and his heart. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2000.

Nighttime Is My Time RC 57585
by Mary Higgins Clark
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
History professor and author Dr. Jean Sheridan attends her twentieth prep school reunion, especially to honor a friend who has been murdered. Once there, she realizes that several other women from her graduating class have mysteriously died. Jean becomes the next target of the reunion's serial killer. 2004.

Books for Children

These books were recently sent to cooperating libraries. Cassette books, labeled with the code RC, play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Cassettes Nonfiction

The Great Lakes RC 55152
by Sharon Katz
read by Graci Ragsdale
1 cassette
Describes the formation of the five Great Lakes located between the United States and Canada. Examines the life forms found there and the threats to this environment. Includes two science activities. For grades 5-8. 1999.

The Rain Forests of the Pacific Northwest RC 55159
edited by Deborah A. Behler
read by Miriam Wagner
1 cassette
Provides an overview of the temperate rain forest that stretches northwest through Washington state; British Columbia, Canada; and Alaska. Examines the different habitats found at each layer of the ecosystem, discusses wildlife and plants living there, and describes threats the area faces. Includes two science activities. For grades 5-8. 2001.

Aero and Officer Mike: Police Partners RC 55796
by Joan Plummer Russell
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
Describes how policeman Mike and his K-9 partner Aero, a German shepherd, work, train, and play together. Explains how the dog's special skills—sense of smell, speed, and strength—help Officer Mike perform his duties. For grades K-3. 2001.

Top Ten Physically Challenged Athletes RC 55813
by Jeff Savage
read by Maxine Wasserman
1 cassette
Profiles ten athletes who have made sports history. Includes baseball pitcher Jim Abbott, born without a right hand; golfer Ben Hogan, whose legs were in-

jured in a car crash; and track star Jackie Joyner-Kersee, who ran despite asthma. For grades 4-7. 2000.

Six Days in October: The Stock Market Crash of 1929 RC 56003
by Karen Blumenthal
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
Chronicles the events and mistakes behind the stock market crash that started on October 24, 1929—Black Thursday. Discusses the optimism of 1928 and 1929 that led to reckless investments, describes the devastating losses for companies and individuals, and explores some of the personalities involved. For grades 6-9. Sibert Honor Book. 2002.

Dr. Jenner and the Speckled Monster: The Search for the Smallpox Vaccine RC 56012
by Albert Marrin
read by Miriam Wagner
1 cassette
Discusses the dreaded disease smallpox, feared for centuries until an English doctor applied scientific thinking and experimentation to the problem. Explains that Dr. Jenner's results, published in 1798, led to medical acceptance of vaccination but that smallpox is again a threat in the twenty-first century. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 2002.

As Far as the Eye Can Reach: Lewis and Clark's Westward Quest RC 56367
by Elizabeth Cody Kimmel
read by Gary Roan
1 cassette
An account of the 1804–1806 journey by Meriwether Lewis and William Clark across the United States' newly acquired Louisiana Territory—an unexplored wilderness west of the Mississippi River —to the Pacific Ocean. Describes the expedition's adventures and discoveries. For grades 4-7. 2003.

Days of Jubilee: The End of Slavery in the United States RC 56729
by Patricia C. McKissack and Frederick L. McKissack
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Drawing on slave narratives, letters, diaries, and other documents, the authors chronicle the steps that led to the emancipation of slaves in America. They review events and issues from colonial times through the Civil War in 1861–1865 and the following Reconstruction era. For grades 5-8. 2003.

Special Olympics RC 56862
by Mike Kennedy
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
Short history of Special Olympics—the winter and summer athletic games held every four years for competitors who are mentally challenged. Discusses this condition and explains how these special participants are chosen. For grades 3-6. 2002.

Coping with Dyslexia RC 56890
by Karen Donnelly
read by Margaret Strom
1 cassette
Discusses what is known about dyslexia and related language problems. Offers advice to students with this condition on learning strategies and ways of preparing for college or a career. For grades 6-9. 2000.

The Diary of a Young Girl RC 57022
by Anne Frank
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes (Reissue)
In a remarkable account begun on her thirteenth birthday in 1942, a Jewish girl

in German-occupied Amsterdam records her hopes, fears, and growing pains during two years of close confinement with her family hiding from the Nazis in a secret apartment. Original version edited by her father. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1947.

Moonbeams, Dumplings, and Dragon Boats: A Treasury of Chinese Holiday Tales, Activities, and Recipes RC 57026
by Nina Simonds and Leslie Swartz
read by Janis Gray
1 cassette
Presents background, related stories, traditional foods, and activities for five Chinese celebrations—Chinese New Year, the Lantern Festival, Qing Ming (honoring ancestors), the Dragon Boat Festival, and the Mid-Autumn Moon Festival. For grades 4-7. 2002.

Head and Brain Injuries RC 57082
by Elaine Landau
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
Discusses the history of brain injuries and treatments from primitive medical care to modern techniques. Explains how traumatic brain injury (TBI) can occur, the damage it may cause, and the benefits of rehabilitative therapy. Provides many relevant personal examples. For grades 5-8. 2002.

How Hockey Works RC 57091
by Keltie Thomas
read by Alec Volz
1 cassette
Provides technical information about ice hockey, including the physics of skating, explosive moves (slapshot and body check), sports medicine, and what makes ice slippery and a hockey stick feel right. Includes tips on scoring and practicing, and discusses how the rules came about. For grades 4-7. 2002.

Magnificent Voyage: An American Adventurer on Captain James Cook's Final Expedition RC 57145
by Laurie Lawlor
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
An account of English explorer James Cook's last voyage—begun in 1776 to search for the Northwest Passage—that led to the discovery of the Hawaiian Islands and Cook's grisly murder. Based on the journals of John Ledyard, a twenty-four-year-old American marine who joined the trip. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2002.

The United Nations RC 57166
by Stewart Ross
read by Jake Williams
1 cassette
A brief history of the United Nations and its goals to promote peace and human rights in all countries. Discusses its functions, structure, and role in various international conflicts. Also reviews the work of some particular UN agencies, such as the World Health Organization. For grades 6-9. 2003.

Coming to America: A Muslim Family's Story RC 57207
by Bernard Wolf
read by Coleen Delany
1 cassette
An account of the joys and hardships encountered by second grader Rowan Mahmoud and her family, who moved to New York City from Alexandria, Egypt, hoping to make a better life for themselves. Discusses their religion—Islam—and its role in their daily activities. For grades 2-4. 2003.

Navajo Long Walk: The Tragic Story of a Proud People's Forced March from Their Homeland RC 57242
by Joseph Bruchac
read by Alec Volz
1 cassette
Discusses the expulsion of the Navajos from their homeland in 1864 by U.S. army troops under Colonel Kit Carson and their 470-mile forced march to a New Mexico reservation. Provides a brief history of the Diné, as the Navajos call themselves, and the treaty permitting their return home in 1868. For grades 5-8. 2002.

At the Plate with—Ichiro RC 57250
by Glenn Stout
read by Alec Volz
1 cassette
Describes how Japanese baseball star Ichiro Suzuki left his native country in 2001 to turn pro in the United States. Ichiro eventually won the American League's Most Valuable Player and Rookie of the Year awards as a Seattle Mariner that same year. For grades 4-7. 2003.

Athletes with Disabilities RC 57300
by Deborah Kent
read by Ralph Lowenstein
1 cassette
Discusses the history of athletic events for people with disabilities, including the Paralympics and the Special Olympics. Also profiles several individuals who have competed in them. For grades 4-7. 2003.

September 11, 2001: Attack on New York City RC 57305
by Wilborn Hampton
read by Ralph Lowenstein
1 cassette
Describes the September 11, 2001, attack on the World Trade Center and relates personal experiences of New Yorkers who lived through the collapse of the Twin Towers, including blind Omar Rivera, who walked down from the seventy-first floor with his guide dog to safety. For grades 6-9. 2003.

Who Came First? New Clues to Prehistoric Americans RC 57320
by Patricia Lauber
read by Ralph Lowenstein
1 cassette
Presents recent discoveries about the first settlers in North and South America—how they traveled and from what continents. Discusses the Kennewick Man, the Clovis culture of 13,500 years ago, and carbon-14 dating, among other topics. For grades 4-7. 2003.

Cassettes Fiction

Little House on the Prairie RC 50922
by Laura Ingalls Wilder
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette (Reissue)
The Ingalls family moves westward from Wisconsin in a covered wagon and builds a cabin on the Kansas prairie, only to discover they are located in Indian territory. Sequel to *Little House in the Big Woods (RC 50921)*. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 1935.

The Hero of Ticonderoga RC 54643
by Gail Gauthier
read by Gillian Green
2 cassettes
Vermont, 1966. A substitute teacher gives average student Thérèse LeClerc the honor of researching state hero Ethan Allen. With the encouragement of her family, she excels in giving humorous oral recitations—shocking the good stu-

dents and her regular instructor. Some strong language. For grades 6-9. 2001.

Twister on Tuesday: Magic Tree House, Book 23 RC 54852
by Mary Pope Osborne
read by Gillian Green
1 cassette
When Jack and Annie travel back to the Kansas prairie at the time of the earliest railroad trains, they discover the hardships of the pioneers. And they experience the terror of a tornado. For grades 2-4. 2001.

Earthquake in the Early Morning: Magic Tree House, Book 24 RC 54853
by Mary Pope Osborne
read by Gillian Green
1 cassette
The magic tree house carries Jack and Annie back to San Francisco in 1906, where they experience one of the biggest earthquakes ever in the United States. For grades 2-4. 2001.

Good Morning, Gorillas: Magic Tree House, Book 26 RC 54855
by Mary Pope Osborne
read by Gillian Green
1 cassette
The magic tree house takes Jack and Annie to a misty rain forest in Central Africa. They meet a young gorilla and spend time with the entire family, finding ways to communicate. For grades 2-4. 2002.

Thanksgiving on Thursday: Magic Tree House, Book 27 RC 55024
by Mary Pope Osborne
read by Gillian Green
1 cassette
The magic tree house takes Jack and Annie back to the Pilgrims' first Thanksgiving celebration with the Wampanoag Indians. Preparing for the feast is harder than Annie and Jack realize and makes them even more thankful for living in modern times. For grades 2-4. 2002.

Parvana's Journey RC 55612
by Deborah Ellis
read by Peggy Gilleland
1 cassette
In this sequel to *The Breadwinner (RC 53938)*, Parvana, now thirteen and still disguised as a boy, wanders through Afghanistan searching for her mother and siblings. Along the way, she encounters other homeless children. Together they search for sanctuary as the Taliban's bombs fall all around them. Some violence. For grades 5-8. 2002.

Half-Human RC 55769
edited by Bruce Coville
read by Jennifer Mendenhall
1 cassette
Nine stories and a poem about such creatures as mermaids and centaurs. Part human and part animal, they struggle to understand their true identities. In "Water's Edge," a contemporary tale about seal people, Laura discovers a special bond with her grandmother. For grades 6-9. 2001.

Otherwise Known as Sheila the Great RC 55792
by Judy Blume
read by Simone Siekaly
1 cassette (Reissue)
Sheila pretends to be knowledgeable, witty, and afraid of nothing. In reality dogs, spiders, pools, thunder, ghosts, and the dark scare her. When she spends a summer away from home, all her fears are exposed. For grades 4-7. 1972.

Wild Man Island RC 55793
by Will Hobbs
read by Gary Roan
1 cassette
Fourteen-year-old Andy slips away from his kayaking group in Alaska to visit the wilderness site where his archaeologist father died. Stranded on an island by a storm and injured, Andy is rescued by a Newfoundland dog and his owner—who live in a cave. For grades 6-9. 2002.

Hannah's Helping Hands RC 55798
by Jean Van Leeuwen
read by Mimi Bederman
1 cassette
1779. In this sequel to *Hannah of Fairfield (RC 55797)*, the Revolutionary War is drawing closer to the Perley's home in Connecticut. Hannah and her family keep busy with farm chores and try not to worry about Ben, a soldier in the colonial army. For grades 2-4. 1999.

Hannah's Winter of Hope RC 55799
by Jean Van Leeuwen
read by Mimi Bederman
1 cassette
Fairfield, Connecticut. In the winter of 1780, Hannah hopes for the safe return of her brother Ben, a colonial soldier imprisoned by the British, as she helps her family rebuild their home. Sequel to *Hannah's Helping Hands (RC 55798)*. For grades 2-4. 2000.

Henry and Mudge: The First Book of Their Adventures RC 55800
by Cynthia Rylant
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
Henry's parents agree to give their only child a puppy named Mudge, which quickly grows to 180 pounds. Henry and Mudge are constant companions except for one day when Mudge is lost. For grades K-3. 1987.

Henry and Mudge in Puddle Trouble: The Second Book of Their Adventures RC 55801
by Cynthia Rylant
read by Miriam Wagner
1 cassette
In the spring, Henry and his big dog, Mudge, enjoy being outside. They find a pretty flower, play in a giant mud puddle, and make friends with a litter of kittens. For grades K-3. 1987.

Henry and Mudge and Annie's Good Move: The Eighteenth Book of Their Adventures RC 55804
by Cynthia Rylant
read by Simone Siekaly
1 cassette
Annie is nervous about moving even though she is happy the new house is next door to her cousin Henry's. Henry and his big friendly dog, Mudge, help Annie calm down on moving day. For grades K-3. 1998.

Henry and Mudge and Annie's Perfect Pet: The Twentieth Book of Their Adventures RC 55805
by Cynthia Rylant
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
Although Henry's cousin Annie likes Henry's dog, Mudge, she wants to have a pet of her own. Annie chooses a bunny as the perfect pet for herself. For grades K-3. 2000.

Surviving the Applewhites RC 55806
by Stephanie S. Tolan
read by Gillian Green
1 cassette
Kicked out of several public schools, Jake winds up being home schooled with an eccentric family of artists at the

Applewhite's Creative Academy. When the whole clan becomes involved in producing *The Sound of Music*, Jake discovers a few positive traits and talents of his own. For grades 5-8. 2002.

Viking It and Liking It RC 56283
by Jon Scieszka
read by Ray Hagen
1 cassette
Joe, Fred, and Sam, all from Brooklyn, are transported back one thousand years to Viking times where they meet Leif Eriksson and his buddies. When the three steal a longboat and try to escape, the Norse explorers chase after them. For grades 3-6. 2002.

The Angel Factory RC 56358
by Terence Blacker
read by Ray DiZefalo
2 cassettes
Twelve-year-old Thomas confides to his best friend, Gip, that his family life is too perfect. Gip presses him to do some sleuthing, and Thomas uncovers two upsetting family secrets: he was adopted, and his too-good-to-be-true family is part of an other-worldly organization. For grades 5-8. 2001.

The Winter People RC 56646
by Joseph Bruchac
read by Ray Childs
1 cassette
As the French and Indian War rages on in October of 1759, Saxso, a fourteen-year-old Abenaki boy, pursues the English rangers who have attacked his Quebec village and taken his mother and sisters hostage. Some violence. For grades 6-9. 2002.

I Got a "D" in Salami: Hank Zipzer, the Mostly True Confessions of the World's Best Underachiever, Book 2 RC 56647
by Henry Winkler and Lin Oliver
read by Ray Childs
1 cassette
When Hank Zipzer sees that he has a D in each of his major subjects, he wishes his report card would disappear. So it does—into the meat grinder at his mother's deli, ruining a batch of salami for a new customer. But Hank thinks he has a solution. For grades 3-6. 2003.

Dying to Win: Jennie McGrady Mystery, Book 6 RC 56688
by Patricia H. Rushford
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
Jennie McGrady investigates the disappearance of her troubled classmate Courtney Evans. The police believe she's a runaway, but Jennie suspects drugs. Meanwhile fledging journalist Gavin Winslow follows Jennie hoping for a scoop. Sequel to *Without a Trace (RC 56605)*. For grades 6-9. 1995.

In Too Deep: Jennie McGrady Mystery, Book 8 RC 56706
by Patricia H. Rushford
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
Jennie McGrady's chemistry teacher dies from a drug overdose, and then fellow student Gavin Winslow disappears. Jennie helps investigate while police lieutenant Nate Rastovski romances her mother and the truth about her missing father emerges. For grades 6-9. 1996.

Over the Edge: Jennie McGrady Mystery, Book 9 RC 56715
by Patricia H. Rushford
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
Jennie McGrady is visiting her grandmother on the Oregon coast when the mayor's teenage daughter is murdered. After the girl's boyfriend is accused of the crime, Jennie helps him clear his name. Sequel to *In Too Deep (RC 56706)*. For grades 6-9. 1997.

The Captain Contest: Matt Christopher Soccer 'Cats, Book 1 RC 56716
by Stephanie Peters
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Dewey loves to draw and wants to enter the soccer team logo design contest. But he does not want to win the grand prize—being team captain. For grades 2-4. 1999.

Out of the Deep RC 56721
by Gloria Skurzynski and Alane Ferguson
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
Jack and Ashley Landon accompany their family to Acadia National Park in Maine. A baby humpback whale is the latest marine animal to become stranded, and the kids stumble onto who's responsible. For grades 4-7. 2002.

From the Ashes: Jennie McGrady Mystery, Book 10 RC 56724
by Patricia H. Rushford
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
After Jennie McGrady's church and school are destroyed by arson, the prime suspect is the janitor. But Jennie saw a troubled teenager running from the scene and is determined to uncover the truth. Sequel to *Over the Edge (RC 56715)*. For grades 6-9. 1997.

Running Scared RC 56725
by Gloria Skurzynski and Alane Ferguson
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
Ashley and Jack Landon become lost in a cave in Carlsbad Caverns National Park. Among their adventures they discover some robbers and find out why the bat population is dwindling, For grades 4-7. 2002.

Buried Alive RC 56728
by Gloria Skurzynski and Alane Ferguson
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
Jack and Ashley accompany their mother, wildlife veterinarian Olivia Landon, to investigate the death of wolverines in Denali National Park in Alaska. There the siblings take a dogsled ride and get lost in the freezing wilderness. For grades 4-7. 2003.

Patiently Alice RC 56861
by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Alice and her friends work as assistant counselors at a camp for disadvantaged children during the summer after ninth grade, coping with their charges' problems. At home, Alice's father plans to remarry while her brother decides to move out. Sequel to *Alice Alone (RC 53488)*. Some strong language. For grades 6-9. 2003.

Tadpole RC 57030
by Ruth White
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
Kentucky, 1955. Ten-year-old Carolina

tells about the summer her favorite cousin, thirteen-year-old Tadpole, runs away from his abusive uncle to visit her family. Learning that the orphaned boy is being whipped, the family tries to figure out how to keep him. For grades 5-8. 2003.

The Matchlock Gun RC 57031
by Walter D. Edmonds
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette (Reissue)
While his father is away fighting during the French and Indian War in 1756, ten-year-old Edward Van Alstyne helps his mother ward off an Indian attack by firing an ancient Spanish musket. For grades 3-6. Newbery Medal. 1941.

Among the Barons RC 57037
by Margaret Peterson Haddix
read by Brian Conn
1 cassette
Luke, an illegal third child from *Among the Betrayed (RC 55629)*, has assumed a false identity and attends boarding school. When Smits, the younger brother of his namesake, appears, Luke's existence may be again threatened by the Population Police. And Smits thinks his real brother was murdered. For grades 5-8. 2003.

Because of Anya RC 57084
by Margaret Peterson Haddix
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
Ten-year-old Anya suddenly loses all her hair due to an uncommon disease and must wear a wig. Her schoolmates are curious about her condition. When the wig falls off one day in gym class, Anya is paralyzed with shame and refuses to return to school. Keely, a kind classmate, helps Anya feel better about herself. For grades 3-6. 2002.

Crossing the Panther's Path RC 57089
by Elizabeth Alder
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
In the 1790s when American Indians are losing their midwestern lands to American settlers, teenaged Billy Calder, son of a British officer and a Mohawk mother, leaves school to join Shawnee chief Tecumseh in his efforts to unite the Indians. For grades 6-9. 2002.

Cairo Kelly and the Mann RC 57092
by Kristin Butcher
read by John Polk
1 cassette
Cairo and Midge, mischief-making baseball players, have been sent to their middle school principal's office fifty-five times in one year. But when they learn that their favorite umpire, Harold Mann, can't read, they rally to help him pass the sports league's new test. For grades 4-7. 2002.

Overboard RC 57126
by Elizabeth Fama
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
Fourteen-year-old Emily runs away from her doctor parents on the Indonesian island of Sumatra to visit her uncle. When the ferryboat sinks, Emily swims for hours in shark-infested water while assisting a Muslim boy, whose faith sustains him. For grades 5-8. 2002.

The Man with the Silver Oar RC 57133
by Robin Moore
read by Jeremy Gage
1 cassette
In 1718, fifteen-year-old Quaker Daniel Collins leaves his uncle's household in colonial Philadelphia to stow away on a ship whose mission is to track down a

notorious pirate. Daniel is later surprised to discover the buccaneer's true identity. For grades 5-8. 2002.

To the Edge of the World RC 57141
by Michele Torrey
read by Jonathan Davis
2 cassettes
Orphaned at fourteen in Spain, Mateo Macías is hired as a cabin boy for Ferdinand Magellan's expedition launched in 1519 to search for a western route to the fabled Spice Islands. Sea disasters, attempted mutiny, and other dangers—but also friendships—abound during the two-year voyage. Some violence. For grades 6-9. 2003.

Someday RC 57146
by Jackie French Koller
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Massachusetts, 1938. Fourteen-year-old Celie Wheeler and her family have to abandon their home when the government decides to flood the Swift River Valley to create a new reservoir for Boston. Celie copes with despair over leaving and losing her friends while also falling in love. For grades 6-9. 2002.

Shadows and Moonshine RC 57152
by Joan Aiken
read by Barbara Caruso
1 cassette
Thirteen of the author's favorite stories, many involving witches or wolves. In "John Sculpin and the Witches," young John lives among so many witches that he cannot outsmart all of them. In "Cat's Cradle," a sailor is tricked into marriage but rescued by a mermaid. For grades 5-8. 2001.

Midwinter Nightingale RC 57160
by Joan Aiken
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
The Wolves Chronicles continue as Dido and her friend Simon, Duke of Battersea, have many perilous adventures trying to protect the ailing King James from the plotting of the evil Baron Magnus. The baron is determined that his brutish son, Lothar, will be the next king of England. For grades 5-8. 2003.

Minuk: Ashes in the Pathway RC 57162
by Kirkpatrick Hill
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
Minuk's traditional Eskimo way of life changes in the 1890s when Christian missionaries arrive in her Alaskan village. After an influenza epidemic sweeps through the area killing most of Minuk's family, she must choose whether or not to leave with the white people. For grades 6-9. 2002.

Disappearing Act RC 57186
by Sid Fleischman
read by Erik Synnestvedt
1 cassette
Twelve-year-old Kevin and his opera-singing older sister, Holly, flee from their Albuquerque home after their archaeologist mom disappears in Mexico and they begin to be stalked by a mysterious man. The two wind up as street performers in Venice, California, until they are discovered by their unknown nemesis. For grades 4-7. 2003.

Under the Same Sky RC 57189
by Cynthia DeFelice
read by Michael Scherer
1 cassette
While trying to earn money for a motor

bike, fourteen-year-old Joe Pedersen becomes involved with Mexican migrant laborers on his father's farm. He learns to appreciate their hard work and gains a new understanding of his father. For grades 6-9. 2003.

Annabel the Actress Starring in *Hound of the Barkervilles* RC 57191
by Ellen Conford
read by Annie Wauters
1 cassette
Annabel gets the part of the butler's daughter in a mystery play for adults. She copes with an enormous, drooling Newfoundland dog named Binky, pink bunny pajamas for a costume, and the heckling of her lifelong enemy Lowell in the audience on opening night. Beginning chapter book. For grades 2-4. 2002.

Ruby Electric RC 57195
by Theresa Nelson
read by Annie Wauters
1 cassette
Twelve-year-old movie buff Ruby Miller writes screen plays in her head all the time, only to have real life interfere—with mysteries. Such as what happened to her little brother Pete's woolly mammoth puppet and why her father has been absent for five years. For grades 5-8. 2003.

The Pirates of Pompeii: The Roman Mysteries, Book 3 RC 57213
by Caroline Lawrence
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
In the chaos after Mt. Vesuvius has erupted, burying Pompeii, Flavia Gemina and her friends seek shelter in a refugee camp where children begin disappearing. Flavia's investigations reveal that a powerful citizen may be involved. Sequel to *The Secrets of Vesuvius (RC 57214)*. For grades 5-8. 2002.

The Secrets of Vesuvius: The Roman Mysteries, Book 2 RC 57214
by Caroline Lawrence
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
Flavia Gemina, from *The Thieves of Ostia (RC 55246)*, and her companions journey to her uncle's farm after rescuing Roman admiral Pliny from a capsized boat. On the farm there is a riddle to solve and signs that nearby Mt. Vesuvius will soon erupt. For grades 5-8. 2001.

Haunted Castle on Hallows Eve: Magic Tree House, Book 30 RC 57233
by Mary Pope Osborne
read by Gillian Green
1 cassette
After climbing into their magic tree house, Jack and Annie are invited by master magician Merlin to King Arthur's realm where invisible beings, giant ravens, and haunted spells have put a duke's castle in an uproar on Halloween night. For grades 2-4. 2003.

Amanda Pig and the Awful, Scary Monster RC 57241
by Jean Van Leeuwen
read by Terry Hayes Sales
1 cassette
Amanda Pig sees monsters at night, so her parents and brother, Oliver, keep reassuring her that there are no such things. Beginning chapter reader. For grades K-3. 2003.

The Strange Case of Baby H RC 57251
by Kathryn Reiss
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
After the 1906 San Francisco earthquake, twelve-year-old Clara finds a

baby on the doorstep of her family's boarding house. Clara sets about unraveling the mystery of the little girl's arrival—especially since she is disguised as a boy and is believed to have been kidnapped. For grades 4-7. 2002.

The Wind Singer: An Adventure; Wind on Fire, Book 1 RC 57290
by William Nicholson
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
In the stifled society of Aramanth, rebellious youngsters Kestrel, her twin brother Bowman, and schoolmate Mumpo escape the city walls in quest of the wind singer's legendary voice. They follow an ancient map, confront monsters, and restore harmony at home. Prequel to *Slaves of the Mastery (RC 57317)*. For grades 6-9. 2000.

The Tower at the End of the World RC 57295
by Brad Strickland
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Lewis Barnavelt and his friends from *The House with a Clock in Its Walls (RC 45943)* are invited to vacation on an island in Lake Superior. They encounter evil sorcerer Ishmael Izard and have to find his doomsday clock before he destroys the world. For grades 5-8. 2001.

The Adventures of Midnight Son RC 57307
by Denise Lewis Patrick
read by Bill Quinn
1 cassette
After his parents help him escape from slavery in Texas at the start of the Civil War, thirteen-year-old Midnight finds freedom in Mexico and becomes a cowboy on a cattle drive to Kansas. For grades 4-7. 1997.

When Catherine the Great and I Were Eight! RC 57316
by Cari Best
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
When Sara's Russian grandmother was eight, she liked to float like a flower in the sea. One hot summer day when Sara is eight, Grandma takes a group on an outing to the ocean in Mr. Minsky's old car. Sequel to *Three Cheers for Catherine the Great! (RC 50354)*. For grades K-3. 2003.

Spider Spins a Story: Fourteen Legends from Native America RC 57328
edited by Jill Max
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
Presents folk tales from various native peoples including the Kiowa, Zuni, Cherokee, Hopi, Navajo, and Muskogee, all featuring the spider character. In "Iktomi and Buzzard: A Lakota Legend," the arrogant spider figure learns the importance of kindness and humility. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1997.

Mama Had to Work on Christmas RC 57516
by Carolyn Marsden
read by Gabriella Cavallero
1 cassette
Nine-year-old Gloria resents having to accompany her mother to work at a hotel on Christmas. But later, when they cross the border to Mexico to visit her grandmother for Feliz Navidad, her family's love helps her overcome her bad feelings. For grades 2-4. 2003.

Foreign Language Books

The following cassette titles are available in the languages designated.

Spanish

La República de East L.A.: Cuentos (The Republic of East L.A.: Stories) RC 54983
por Luis J. Rodríguez
leído por Juan Ramírez
2 cassettes
Una colección de cuentos sobre la vida en East Los Angeles que pintan a personas relucientes de esperanzas, vitalidad, y humor a pesar del ambiente de violenica, pobreza y racismo del barrio. En el cuento "Mi Carro, Mi Revolución," un joven chófer de limusina piensa filosóficamente sobre la vida mientras sueña con el éxito de su banda de rap-metal. (Collection of short stories about life in East Los Angeles. Depicts individuals brimming with hope, vitality, and humor amid the poverty, crime, and racism of the barrio. In the story "Mi Carro, Mi Revolución," a young limousine driver philosophizes about life and dreams his rap-metal band will succeed.) 2003.

Tramposos del Saloon (The Card Sharp) RC 56957
por Ralph Barby
leído por Juan Ramírez
1 cassette
El tejano Leo Carter está convencido que la hermosa jugador de póker, Bárbara McNeal, es responsable por la desaparicón de David Racy, el amigo de Leo que llevaba un gran cantidad de dinero. Sin poder alistar la ayuda del sheriff de Borger City, el tejano investiga por su propria cuenta—y encuentra peligro. (Texan Leo Carter is convinced that beautiful poker player Barbara McNeal is involved in the disappearance of his friend David Racy, who was carrying a large sum of money. Getting no help from the sheriff of Borger City, he investigates on his own and finds danger.) 1988.

Lástima que No Te Ducharas (You Should Have Showered) RC 56958
por Ralph Barby
leído por Juan Ramírez
1 cassette
El ruin millonario Leonardo Santoaria y varios de sus huespedes mueren cuando su yate estalla y hunde. El detective Tob Duncan investiga a la viuda Santoaria y a la hermosa cuñada para saber si el caso se trata de asesinato. (Villainous millionaire Leonardo Santoaria and several of his guests are killed when his yacht explodes and sinks. Private investigator Tob Duncan investigates the dead man's widow and beautiful sister-in-law to determine if foul play was involved.) 1981.

Un Verano Bien Caliente (One Hot Summer) RC 56961
por Carolina García-Aguilera
leído por María Pino
2 cassettes
Después del nacimiento de su hijo, Margarita Santos Silva, un exitoso abogado cubano-americano, trata de decidir si debe regresar al trabajo o quedarse en casa criando su hijo. Pero cuando un antiguo enamorado se presenta inesperadamente, la vida de Margarita se vuelve patas arriba, y tiene más de una decisión crítica que tomar, y solamente un verano bien caliente para hacerlo. (While on maternity leave, successful Cuban American lawyer Margarita Santos Silva struggles to decide

whether to return to work or stay at home and raise her child. But this decision pales in comparison to the decision she must make when an old flame comes back into her life.) 2003.

Magazines on Cassette

For a free subscription to these magazines, contact your cooperating library.

American Heritage (8 issues)
Analog Science Fiction and Fact (11 issues)
Asimov's Science Fiction (11 issues)
The Atlantic Monthly (11 issues; combined issue July–August)
Das Beste aus *Reader's Digest* (German; 12 issues)
Bon Appétit (monthly)
Buenhogar (Spanish; monthly)
Choice Magazine Listening (on loan from cooperating libraries, bimonthly)
Consumer Reports (monthly)
Contemporary Sound Track: A Review of Pop, Jazz, Rock, and Country (bimonthly)
Cricket (for children, on one cassette with **National Geographic Kids,** monthly)
Diabetes Forecast (monthly)
Discover (monthly)
Ebony (monthly)
Ellery Queen's Mystery Magazine (11 issues)
Foreign Affairs (6 issues)
Good Housekeeping (monthly plus special issues)
Health and Nutrition Newsletters (includes **Dr. Andrew Weil's Self Healing, The Johns Hopkins Medical Letter—Health after Fifty, Mayo Clinic Health Letter,** and **Nutrition Action Healthletter,** monthly)
Horticulture (6 issues)
Journal Français (French; monthly)
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Money (monthly plus special issues)
The Musical Mainstream (quarterly)
The Nation (47 issues)
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National Geographic Kids (for children and teens, on one cassette with **Cricket,** monthly)
National Review (25 issues)
The *New York Times* Book Review (weekly)
Outdoor Life (10 issues; combined issues June–July, December–January)
People Weekly (weekly plus special issues)
QST (monthly)
Quarterly Music Magazine (quarterly)
Selecciones del *Reader's Digest* (Spanish; monthly)
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Sound & Vision (10 issues)
Spider: The Magazine for Children (monthly)
Sports Illustrated (weekly plus special issues)

Sports Illustrated for Kids (monthly)
Talking Book Topics (bimonthly, also contains selections from NLS *News* irregularly)
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In Brief

The following material is reprinted from *NLS Flash*, December 2004, volume 1, issue 2, a newsletter created to bring current information on NLS progress in digital technology to patrons, library staff, and other interested individuals.

Flash technology: the perfect fit for NLS

What has been dipped in cola, put through a washing machine, dunked in coffee, trampled by a skateboard, run over by a child's toy car and given to a six-year-old boy to destroy? Answer: a flash cartridge—an extremely durable device.

Five cartridges were tested. Five survived. For this reason, among others, NLS settled on flash memory as the new distribution technology for its digital talking books (DTB).

Flash memory—a term coined for the system's ability to rewrite content "in a flash"—is the industry standard for handheld devices such as cell phones, digital cameras and palmtop computers. It combines rewritability and portability with ease of operation and decreasing costs—all features that make it attractive to both the users of DTBs and librarians.

In addition, the flash cartridges will be about the size of a credit card, or approximately 2 x 3½ inches. This will permit NLS to label book titles in braille as well as large print. "Flash technology will provide readers with a DTB that is easy to use, portable, and virtually indestructible with the high-quality sound one expects from a digital product. It will allow users the reading experience of their choice," says Frank Kurt Cylke, the director of NLS.

Flash was not a rash decision. NLS examined the range of other memory storage devices, such as the CD-ROM and magnetic drives. Until recently, flash memory was priced too high. But now costs are reasonable. "NLS has been tracking this technology for a number of years. Now it is clear from the continued drop in prices and from projections by industry analysts that it will be feasible by 2008," says Michael Moodie, deputy director of NLS.

Consider the alternatives. Why flash cartridges instead of the more familiar CD-ROM? CDs are low-cost and can store a book; however, they are difficult to handle especially for people with limited dexterity. The discs are easily damaged and must be inspected each time they are sent out, or a new copy produced for each circulation. In addition, CD players are fragile and repairs are expensive.

A magnetic hard drive system was also considered. This medium could store as many as 300 book titles on a single machine. However, the drives have sensitive electromechanical parts that damage easily and are expensive to repair.

Based on careful evaluation of all available options, a flash-memory-based system was adopted for implementation in 2008.

Technology for tomorrow. It was necessary for NLS to update the current system. "The current analog cassette system is based on a technology that is disappearing. In the future, parts for players will be difficult or impossible to obtain, and the cost of cassette tape is likely to increase significantly. In addition, digital technology offers many features that will benefit talking-book users," says Jean M. Moss, NLS digital projects coordinator.

"Flash memory is more durable, easier to handle, and simpler to use than other digital media. It will also mean more reliable players because no moving parts are required," says Moss.

Flash technology will most appeal to patrons because of its ease of use. "Patrons will like the fact that the great majority of books will each be on a single flash cartridge, so there will be fewer objects to keep track of," says Moodie. "An entire cartridge can be played from beginning to end without having to change any switches or turn the cartridge over. And the player will always keep track of where the reader left off."

"Because flash memory cartridges can have new books quickly copied onto them and can be reused thousands of times, new distribution models are possible. For example, some books do not circulate very often but are still important to have in the program. Rather than having such books taking up shelf space in libraries across the country, copies can be quickly made when needed," says Moodie.

"Flash was chosen because it fits so well with our many requirements for a talking-book medium," says Moodie.

Tale of a talking book

1934 Talking books on 33⅓ rpm discs introduced

1958 Prototype books produced on 16⅔ rpm discs

1965 AE-1 talking-book machine with three-speed motor

1968 First transistorized, light-weight talking-book machine
1969 Standard cassettes distributed
1971 Issued first 1 7/8 and 15/16 cassette machines
1973 All discs recorded at 8 1/3 rpm
1973 Proprietary cassette machine prototype developed and modified for distribution
1983 Produced first C-1 cassette player, 15/16 speed, four-track format
1986 Simplified cassette machine distributed
2004 Flash technology selected as medium for the future

Digital talking book (DTB) milestones

Completed:

- Defined and prioritized digital talking book (DTB) features.
- Coordinated development and publication of *Specifications for the Digital Talking Book* (ANSI/NISO Z39.86).
- Simulated a DTB player using a personal computer.
- Developed a computer-based life-cycle cost analysis (LCC) model for the NLS system and for candidate digital systems.
- Developed computer software for DTB production and presentation.
- Developed software to test conformance of players and DTBs with the ANSI/NISO standard.
- User survey
- Player transition study
- Distribution medium study

Start 1/12/04–Finish 10/1/08

The following ongoing projects, set to conclude in 2008, are shown with start dates in parentheses.

- Web-Magazine pilot (1/12/04)
- Digital data management system development (11/1/04)
- Player and medium design (11/1/04)
- Distribution system design and transition planning (12/1/04)
- Design DTB containers and labels (6/1/05)
- Web-Book pilot (6/1/05)
- Prepare for DTB distribution (10/1/05)
- Circulation systems design (12/1/05)
- Manufacture initial lot of DTB containers and labels (9/1/06)
- Distribution system implementation (10/1/06)
- Circulation systems implementation (10/1/06)
- Media production (3/1/07)
- Media duplication (5/1/07)
- Full player production (9/1/07)

For information on the NLS digital project, contact Jean M. Moss, Digital Projects Coordinator. E-mail: jemo@loc.gov; fax: (202) 707-1690. For the NLS *Strategic Business Plan* online: www.loc.gov/nls/businessplan2003.html

Collection Development Advisory Group seeks advice

The members of the Collection Development Advisory Group wish to thank fellow patrons and librarians for their input concerning the NLS program. Ideas and suggestions from readers are key ingredients in the success of our program and are thoroughly discussed in the committee's deliberations.

Please continue to assist us by contacting committee members or your cooperating braille or talking-book library with suggestions.

The group will meet again May 25-27, 2005, at NLS

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Magazine of the Month selections for 2005

Two NLS programs offer readers samplings of magazines not otherwise available through network libraries. Subscribers to Magazine of the Month and Young Adult Magazine of the Month receive a different magazine on audio cassette each month. For a free subscription to either program, contact your cooperating talking-book library. Although the selections are subject to change, subscribers will receive some of the following magazines during 2005.

Magazine of the Month

- **American Legacy** (African American history and culture; stories, facts, and legends about people and events)
- **The BARk: The Modern Dog Culture Magazine** (modern dog culture; book and film reviews, poetry, short fiction, news items, and information about dog behavior, health, care, and travel)
- **Better Homes and Gardens** (gardening, interior design, building, family matters, food and health, with technical information)
- **Car and Driver** (reviews and tests of domestic and foreign automobiles and other features)
- **Counter Terrorism** (international counterterrorism and homeland security; articles on the latest technology and techniques available to battle insurgency; book reviews and news stories)
- **Lifetime: Real Life, Real Women** (articles of interest to modern women on fashion, decorating, food and

diet, human relations, careers, and family)

- **Poets and Writers** (journal by and about writers; interviews, publishing industry news, genre writing, and historical issues)
- **Reunions Magazine** (all sorts of reunions: family, school, military, and social; includes contributions from readers who share their experiences)
- **Science** (news of the week from all areas of science; research articles and book reviews
- **Threads: For People Who Love to Sew** (all aspects of sewing with projects to teach techniques, style, and design concepts)
- **People en Español** (Spanish-language equivalent of *People* magazine in English)
- **Wired** (the Internet and other areas of science and technology)

Alternates: **Black Enterprise, Budget Living, Dog Fancy, Knitter's, More, Motor Trend, Novel Writing, Plenty, Scientific American, Where to Retire, World War II**

Young Adult Magazine of the Month

- **Black Beat Magazine** (latest in urban musical news for African American teenagers)
- **Classic Fighting Arts** (history, personalities, and evolution of martial arts)
- **Dig** (news about archaeological discovery geared to children and younger teens; includes hands-on projects)
- **Discovery Girls** (created by girls; articles on relationships, entertainment, and fashion)
- **E Magazine: The Environmental Magazine** (information, news, and commentary on the environment; includes health, food, and products to buy)
- **Elle Girl** (fashion, health, beauty, and lifestyle for teens)
- **Justine: The New Teen in Town** (fashion, clothes, beauty, health, and celebrities for teens)
- **Scratch: The Science of Hip-Hop Magazine** (the latest in hip-hop; personalities, reviews, and news)
- **SG: The Girls' Source for Surf/Snow/Skate Lifestyle** (sports for women; places to go, equipment, fashions, personalities)
- **Soccer America** (the U.S. soccer scene; players, college action, tournaments, and international news)
- **Starlog: Science Fiction Films, TV, Video** (science fiction, fantasy, and horror in popular media; news, interviews, and articles)
- **Vanidades** (magazine in Spanish about famous people, fashion, and popular culture)

Alternates: **Archaeology, Blackgirl, Elle, Environment, Grappling, Icarus, Mademoiselle, Sassy, Snowboard Life, Soccer Jr., Source**

Books for Adults

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including biographies, classics, gothics, mysteries, romances, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Note: For the information of the reader, a notice may appear immediately following the book description to indicate occurrences of strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, or violence. The word "some" before any of these terms indicates an occasional or infrequent occurrence, as in "some strong language."

Cassettes Nonfiction

Voices from the Negro Leagues: Conversations with Fifty-two Baseball Standouts of the Period 1924–1960 RC 54770
by Brent Kelley
read by Chuck Young
4 cassettes
Interviews with African American athletes from the segregated baseball teams of the twentieth century. Includes players from before and after 1947, when Jackie Robinson joined the Brooklyn Dodgers. Includes Rodolfo Fernandez, now in the Cuban Hall of Fame, and Frazier Robinson, Satchel Paige's favorite catcher. 1998.

Bang Your Head: The Rise and Fall of Heavy Metal RC 55721
by David Konow
read by John Lescault
3 cassettes
History of the music genre that evolved from the blues in England in the late 1960s. Discusses the careers of heavy metal's most notorious groups including Black Sabbath, Led Zeppelin, Kiss, Metallica, Def Leppard, and Guns N' Roses. Strong language. For senior high and older readers. 2002.

An Old Wife's Tale: My Seven Decades in Love and War RC 55808
by Midge Decter
read by Susan McInerney
2 cassettes
Midge Decter, conservative commentator, offers a memoir of her life over the past seventy years. From her first secretarial job in New York City to her reign as executive editor of *Harper's* magazine, Decter relates her experiences against a backdrop of her opinions on feminism, motherhood, and politics. 2001.

An Arrow through the Heart: One Woman's Story of Life, Love, and Surviving a Near-Fatal Heart Attack RC 56006
by Deborah Daw Heffernan
read by Gillian Green
2 cassettes
Inspirational tale of recovery from sudden heart failure from which the author almost dies at the age of forty-four. Explains illness and disability from a patient's point of view and describes the changes in relationships that result when death is a daily possibility. 2002.

The Search for the Panchen Lama RC 56058
by Isabel Hilton
read by Anne Flosnik
3 cassettes
British journalist recounts the events surrounding the 1995 disappearance of the Tibetan boy considered to be the eleventh incarnation of the Panchen Lama—the second highest figure in Tibetan Buddhism. Hilton combines religious history, Chinese political intrigue, and her own travel experiences to explain this seven-year-old's importance. 1999.

Toward Commitment: A Dialogue about Marriage RC 56116
by Diane Rehm and John B. Rehm
read by Susan McInerney
2 cassettes
National Public Radio talk show host and author of *Finding My Voice (RC 49385)* reveals both her satisfaction and disappointment in her marriage to her attorney husband of forty-two years. Among topics discussed are sex, religion, parenting, money, in-laws, retirement, and aging. 2002.

Remarkable Changes: Turning Life's Challenges into Opportunities RC 56224
by Jane Seymour
read by Miriam Wagner
2 cassettes
Autobiography of English actress born in 1951. Seymour shares seven lessons for making the most of life's changes and candidly discusses her own disappointments and triumphs—her divorces and marriages, her children, and her career. Also includes stories of others who grew from their experiences, as well as a preface by Christopher Reeve. 2003.

Closing the Gap: A Strategy for Bringing Parents and Teens Together RC 56365
by Jay McGraw
read by Gary Roan
1 cassette
Manual written by the young adult author of *Life Strategies for Teens (RC 51563)* suggests ways both parents and teens can reconnect by working out differences, respecting each other, and gaining a balance between control and independence. For senior high and older readers. 2001.

Teens with the Courage to Give: Young People Who Triumphed over Tragedy and Volunteered to Make a Difference RC 56366
by Jackie Waldman
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
Thirty teenagers share their experiences overcoming hardship and finding fulfillment by helping others. In "The Fight for Life," a teen suffering from depression starts a suicide prevention program; in "Born to Win," a one-legged amputee wins races wearing a prosthesis and visits kids in hospitals. For junior and senior high readers. 2000.

One Hundred One Foot-Care Tips for People with Diabetes RC 56378
by Jessie H. Ahroni
read by Miriam Wagner
1 cassette
Provides answers to common questions about foot problems associated with two complications of diabetes—poor circulation and nerve damage. Discusses skin and nail care, footwear, exercise, treatment of minor ailments, and identifying major concerns. 2000.

For Better or for Worse . . . but Not for Lunch: Making Marriage Work in Retirement RC 56387
by Sara Yogev
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
Psychologist addresses the impact of retirement on feelings toward home, money, friendships, and marriage. Drawing on case studies and research, Yogev offers strategies and innovative exercises to assist retirees and their partners adjust to the major transition. 2002.

Choices: Taking Control of Your Life and Making It Matter RC 56391
by Melody Beattie
read by Graci Ragsdale
2 cassettes
Author of *Codependent No More (RC 28220)* combines traditional wisdom with anecdotes about personal experiences to encourage others to make positive choices. Offers practical advice on approaching change, becoming proactive by controlling what one can, and observing the results of personal decisions. Each entry ends with a brief meditation. 2002.

Wrapped in Rainbows: The Life of Zora Neale Hurston RC 56643
by Valerie Boyd
read by Anne Hancock
4 cassettes
Biographical appraisal of the life and work of African American folklorist and writer Zora Neale Hurston (1891–1960). Discusses Hurston's roots in rural Florida, her studies at Howard University and Barnard, her Harlem Renaissance friendships, her anthropological travels in the South, and her published writings. 2003.

Jersey Rain RC 56663
by Robert Pinsky
read by Geoffrey Centlivre
1 cassette
This collection of lyric poems by the former U.S. poet laureate covers a wide variety of seemingly unrelated subjects. In "To Television," Pinsky reflects on the comforting distractions of a hotel room television set; in "The Green Piano," he relates neighborhood and family history. 2000.

Khrushchev: The Man and His Era RC 56692
by William Taubman
read by Bill Wallace
7 cassettes in 2 containers
Chronicles the life and times of Nikita Khrushchev (1894–1971), a Ukrainian peasant who rose through the Communist ranks to eventually succeed Joseph Stalin as party leader of the Soviet Union. Uses newly released archives and interviews with Khrushchev's contemporaries to explore the complexity and contradictions in the leader's character. 2003.

It's Not Over 'til It's Over RC 56775
by Al Silverman
read by Erik Synnestvedt
3 cassettes
Former *Sport* magazine editor recounts the twentieth century's most dramatic sporting events, providing player perspective and historical context. Profiles include the sudden-death pro-football championship game between the Colts and the Giants in 1958, the 1971 Frazier-Ali fight, and the quest for hockey gold at the 1980 Olympics. Some strong language. 2002.

The Sweet Hell Inside: A Family History
RC 56781
by Edward Ball
read by Thomas Penny
3 cassettes
Continues Ball's study of his ancestors, the Harlestons of South Carolina, which he began in *Slaves in the Family (RC 46018)*. Chronicles the lives of slave-owner William Harleston and his mixed-race slave Kate Wilson and their eight children, born in the mid-1800s. Traces their extraordinary and prosperous lineage. 2001.

Disabled Rights: American Disability Policy and the Fight for Equality
RC 56788
by Jacqueline Vaughn Switzer
read by Margaret Strom
3 cassettes
History and politics of the disability rights movement in the United States. Discusses how the disability community has coalesced in the past fifty years to press its demands and how passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act has shaped public policy and individual expectations. Also reviews ADA-related litigation and some "hot button" issues. 2003.

Touched with Fire: Manic-Depressive Illness and the Artistic Temperament
RC 56789
by Kay Redfield Jamison
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
A professor of psychiatry examines the relationship between mood disorders and artistic creativity. Discusses manic-depression, autobiographical material, family history, biological research, and artistic endeavor to explore their links. Examines these connections in the lives of writers and artists, focusing on Lord Byron as a prime example. 1993.

Route 66 A.D.: On the Trail of Ancient Roman Tourists RC 56790
by Tony Perrottet
read by Mark Ashby
3 cassettes
Armed with history's oldest surviving guidebook, an Australian travel writer retraces tour routes of the first people to enjoy safe and easy recreational travel around their empire. Blending historical anecdotes, personal encounters, and commentary on the culture of tourism, Perrottet and his companion journey through Italy, Greece, Turkey, and Egypt. 2002.

Death Sentence: The True Story of Velma Barfield's Life, Crimes, and Execution
RC 56796
by Jerry Bledsoe
read by Steven Carpenter
3 cassettes
Follows the case of a North Carolina woman who was executed in 1984 for poisoning four people (including her mother and her fiancé) with arsenic. Includes interviews with her children and describes her jailhouse religious conversion. Some violence and some strong language. 1998.

Zelda Fitzgerald: Her Voice in Paradise
RC 56807
by Sally Cline
read by Faith Potts
5 cassettes
English literary scholar reexamines the life of the Jazz Age writer, painter, and ballerina whose artistic efforts were overshadowed by the celebrity of her husband, F. Scott Fitzgerald, and undermined by encroaching mental illness. Cline illuminates Zelda's character, ex-

plores her sometimes enigmatic self-expression, and reevaluates her legacy. 2002.

A Matter of Degrees: What Temperature Reveals about the Past and Future of Our Species, Planet, and Universe RC 56809

by Gino Segrè
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Physicist examines temperature as a fundamental factor in understanding the universe. Addresses major scientific problems such as the conditions for the birth of the universe, the first appearance of life on Earth, the concept of absolute zero, and the puzzle of constant mammal body temperature. 2002.

Some of Us Did Not Die: New and Selected Essays RC 56810

by June Jordan
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Forty essays and verse from the late poet, activist, and professor of African American studies. Jordan speaks out against racial and gender inequality, advocating legal reform. Includes work from four earlier anthologies and previously unpublished writings. The title piece is a reaction to the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks. 2002.

The First Heroes: The Extraordinary Story of the Doolittle Raid—America's First World War II Victory RC 56859

by Craig Nelson
read by Lou Harpenau
4 cassettes
Chronicles the first U.S. retaliatory attack on Japan following Pearl Harbor. Details the planning, training, execution, and aftermath of the daring mission of the Doolittle Raid, focusing on the fliers' personal experiences. Draws extensively on firsthand accounts as well as military records. Some violence. 2002.

The Battle for New York: The City at the Heart of the American Revolution RC 56860

by Barnet Schecter
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
Examines the crucial role of New York City in the Revolutionary War—from General George Washington's initial defeat at the Battle of Brooklyn in August 1776 through the British evacuation in 1783. Describes the historic sites of skirmishes and fortifications with references to contemporary locations in the city. 2002.

Absolutely American: Four Years at West Point RC 56895

by David Lipsky
read by Erik Synnestvedt
3 cassettes
Journalist follows the men and women of company G-4 from their arrival as plebes at the United States Military Academy to graduation. The group portrait provides an in-depth examination of the rigors of cadet life and how instilled principles such as honor, equality, and patriotism reflect American society. Some strong language. 2003.

A Treasury of Great American Scandals: Tantalizing True Tales of Historic Misbehavior by the Founding Fathers and Others Who Let Freedom Swing RC 56899

by Michael Farquhar
read by Erik Synnestvedt
2 cassettes
Farquhar follows up *A Treasury of Royal Scandals (RC 52663)* with three cen-

turies of disgraceful conduct by U.S. presidents and other political figures—but nothing after 1980. His targets include George Washington, whose mother complained of his financial neglect; Abraham Lincoln, whose wife chased him with a butcher knife; and many others. Bestseller 2003.

Thieves in High Places: They've Stolen Our Country—and It's Time to Take It Back RC 56922
by Jim Hightower
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Populist author of *If the Gods Had Meant Us to Vote They Would Have Given Us Candidates (RC 51808)* continues his sardonic criticism of the second Bush administration. Implores voters to defeat politicians who are controlled by wealthy corporations and other special interest groups. Bestseller 2003.

Flyboys: A True Story of Courage RC 57005
by James Bradley
read by James Bradley
3 cassettes
Author Bradley of *Flags of Our Fathers (RC 50264)* recounts events that led to the bombing of Japanese communication towers on Chichi Jima by nine American airmen in 1945. Discusses Japanese American relations and reveals the horrors endured by the men who died and by the one survivor, George H.W. Bush. Violence. Bestseller 2003.

Absolute Beginner's Guide to eBay RC 57024
by Michael Miller
read by John Richardson
3 cassettes
Guide to buying and selling items on eBay, the online auction site launched in 1995 to facilitate trading of all types of merchandise. Provides information on setting up an account, searching for items, dealing with fraudulent sellers, becoming a successful seller, payment methods, shipment of items, and other topics. 2003.

Helping Children with Autism Learn: Treatment Approaches for Parents and Professionals RC 57033
by Bryna Siegel
read by Kerry Cundiff
4 cassettes
Guide for teachers, parents, and therapists to designing treatments according to each child's particular learning style. Siegel, a developmental psychologist, identifies the fundamentals of disabilities associated with autistic spectrum disorders and integrates developmental, behavioral, educational, and medical research and theory into her strategies. 2003.

Madam Secretary RC 57048
by Madeleine Albright
read by Mary Kane
5 cassettes
Memoir by former secretary of state under President Clinton. Albright seeks to "combine the personal with policy" to describe the worldwide events in which she participated. Includes her reminiscences of childhood as a Czechoslovakian refugee and married life before she entered the tumultuous world of politics. Bestseller 2003.

Life on Wheels: For the Active Wheelchair User RC 57050
by Gary Karp
read by Mark Ashby
4 cassettes
A guide to help people with mobility disabilities enhance their quality of life and adapt more completely to wheelchair use. Karp, who lives fully despite his inability to walk, provides information on home access, intimacy issues, medical concerns, and selecting a wheelchair. Also discusses applicable politics and legislation. 1999.

Good Poems RC 57059
selected by Garrison Keillor
read by Michael Scherer
2 cassettes
A selection of poems that were read over National Public Radio on a daily five-minute program called "The Writer's Almanac." Includes classics by Shakespeare and Walt Whitman as well as many works by twentieth-century poets including Hayden Carruth, John Updike, Elizabeth Bishop, e.e. cummings, and Maxine Kumin. 2002.

A Look over My Shoulder: A Life in the Central Intelligence Agency RC 57060
by Richard Helms
read by Steven Carpenter
3 cassettes
Posthumous memoir by former director of Central Intelligence (1966–1973) chronicles his thirty years of service, beginning with his 1942 naval training. Helms's agency career in the world of covert action, espionage, and Cold War operations includes President Nixon's attempts to involve the CIA in the Watergate cover-up. Foreword by Henry Kissinger. 2003.

The Irritable Heart: The Medical Mystery of the Gulf War RC 57083
by Jeff Wheelwright
read by Lou Harpenau
4 cassettes
Reviews the medical histories of five ailing veterans from the 1991 Persian Gulf War to seek a biomedical explanation for difficult-to-diagnose conditions. Also examines illnesses exhibited by military personnel after other armed encounters, including "irritable heart" disease following the Civil War. Concludes these maladies result from a combination of physical symptoms and psychological stress. 2001.

The Ultimate Weight Solution: The Seven Keys to Weight Loss Freedom RC 57111
by Phil McGraw
read by Jack Fox
3 cassettes
Host of television's "Dr. Phil," who spent thirty years working with overweight people, presents his seven keys to attaining an appropriate weight and gaining more energy and vitality. He focuses on right thinking; control of emotions, environment, and habits; nutrition; exercise; and support systems. Bestseller 2003.

Broken Music: A Memoir RC 57114
by Sting
read by David Cutler
2 cassettes
Memoir by British songwriter and musician born in 1951 reconstructs his life before he gained fame as a member of the band Police. Describes his childhood in Newcastle, his academic success that sends him to teachers' college, the influence of 1960s music, and his early bands. Strong language. Bestseller 2003.

Bill Clinton: An American Journey
RC 57118
by Nigel Hamilton
read by Bill Wallace
6 cassettes
A chronicle of the life of Bill Clinton from family background and childhood to his terms as president. Hamilton examines the highlights of Clinton's political career as well as the character flaws that undermined his successes. 2003.

General Patton: A Soldier's Life
RC 57130
by Stanley P. Hirshson
read by Jake Williams
6 cassettes
Author uses archives and family papers to analyze the life and career of the controversial World War II general nicknamed "Old Blood and Guts." Explores Patton's troops' atrocities in Italy, the infamous slapping of shell-shocked soldiers, and his unconcealed bigotry and belief in reincarnation. Some strong language. 2002.

No More Misbehavin': Thirty-eight Difficult Behaviors and How to Stop Them RC 57139
by Michele Borba
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
Educator and frequent National Public Radio speaker discusses the most common behavioral problems in children—including temper tantrums, hitting, biting, fighting, lying, and stealing—as well as strategies for discouraging them. Offers specific disciplinary methods for each misbehavior with the goal of permanently erasing it. Foreword by Jack Canfield. 2003.

Dog Is My Co-Pilot: Great Writers on the World's Oldest Friendship RC 57155
by Editors of *The Bark*
read by Barbara Caruso
3 cassettes
Anthology of essays, short stories, and expert commentaries celebrating the unique bond between humans and their dogs. Over forty selections chosen by the editors of a California-based dog magazine pay tribute to the very first meeting between man and animal, pack dynamics, canine wisdom, and the poignancy of friendship and loss. 2003.

A National Party No More: The Conscience of a Conservative Democrat
RC 57170
by Zell Miller
read by Dan Toohey
2 cassettes
The senator from Georgia, a former marine sergeant, critiques his Democratic party, calls for reform, and outlines issues needing to be addressed to benefit the country. Miller also describes his rise from rural poverty and his six decades in public life. Bestseller 2003.

The Funny Thing Is . . . RC 57179
by Ellen DeGeneres
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
DeGeneres follows up *My Point . . . And I Do Have One (RC 41736)* with another collection of stream-of-consciousness musings that highlight the absurdities of everyday life. Topics include brunches, gift exchanges, silence, clothes she has regretted wearing, penny-pinching, and things to be grateful for. Bestseller 2003.

After Jihad: America and the Struggle for Islamic Democracy RC 57184
by Noah Feldman
read by Ted Stoddard
2 cassettes
Explores whether democracy can "be made to flourish in the lands where Islam prevails." Discusses the political terrain in Iran, Turkey, Asia, Pakistan, and Arab countries to ascertain the compatibility of the Islamic religion with democratic values. Claiming there is no inherent conflict, Feldman suggests ways to refute anti-Americanism. 2003.

No End to War: Terrorism in the Twenty-first Century RC 57188
by Walter Laqueur
read by Mark Ashby
3 cassettes
Guerrilla warfare expert addresses the new elements of contemporary terrorism. Issues include the debate surrounding root causes of terrorism, Islamic fanaticism, and the phenomenon of suicide attacks. Laqueur also examines reactions of governments, academia, the media, and the public to the violence and speculates on future geopolitical conditions that could precipitate "catastrophic terrorism." 2003.

Three Weeks in October: The Manhunt for the Serial Sniper RC 57190
by Charles A. Moose and Charles Fleming
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
Account by the police chief of Montgomery County, Maryland, of the massive search for the snipers who killed ten people, wounded four others, and terrorized the greater Washington, D.C., metropolitan area in October 2002. Moose also recounts his personal journey to becoming the head of two police departments. Some strong language. 2003.

Memoirs RC 57198
by David Rockefeller
read by Ted Stoddard
4 cassettes
Autobiography of billionaire John D. Rockefeller's youngest grandson, born in 1915. Recalls his childhood, college years, and military intelligence service during World War II. Describes his banking career, provides insights into the Rockefeller family, and presents many key twentieth-century figures of his acquaintance from the worlds of politics, finance, and the arts. 2002.

I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings RC 57200
by Maya Angelou
read by Andrea Frierson-Toney
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Memoir by well-known African American poet and college professor. Angelou describes her childhood and adolescent years in rural Arkansas, in St. Louis, and in San Francisco, and the racial and gender hardships she endured. 1969.

The Backbone of the World: A Portrait of a Vanishing Way of Life along the Continental Divide RC 57203
by Frank Clifford
read by Ted Stoddard
2 cassettes
Journalist travels the Continental Divide Trail along 3,200 miles of mountains and desert, searching for remnants of the old American West. From Mexico's border north to Canada, Clifford explores the land and its history through the ranchers and Native Americans fighting to main-

tain their traditions against the encroachments of commerce. 2002.

The Best American Poetry, 2003
RC 57234
edited by Yusef Komunyakaa
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Annual collection of poetry features seventy-five selections that touched the guest editor, Pulitzer Prize-winning poet Yusef Komunyakaa, by their "content and aesthetics." Contributors include Kenneth Koch, Richard Wilbur, Rita Dove, and the three most recent Pulitzer Prize winners—Paul Muldoon, Carl Dennis, and Stephen Dunn. 2003.

The Best American Recipes, 2003–2004
RC 57235
edited by Fran McCullough and Molly Stevens
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Collection of recipes gathered from various cookbooks, magazines, newsletters, and web sites. Selections, with hints from the back of food packages and tips for cooks, include starters, soups, salads, breakfast and lunch recipes, main dishes, breads, desserts, and drinks. Also includes the top ten food trends of the year. 2003.

The Best American Essays, 2003
RC 57238
edited by Anne Fadiman
read by Barry Bernson
3 cassettes
Twenty-four diverse essays selected and introduced by Fadiman. Subjects include war from a woman's viewpoint, emergency planning, World War II in occupied France, death and dying, medical topics, cooking, imaginary pals, and social life in America. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2003.

The Best American Science Writing, 2003
RC 57239
edited by Oliver Sacks
read by Bruce Huntey
3 cassettes
Twenty-five articles from both scientific and general publications that cover various topics from natural history to biotechnology and medicine. Author Floyd Skloot observes the toll of Alzheimer's disease on his ninety-one-year-old mother. In the final selection, former colleagues of late scientist Stephen Jay Gould reflect on his radical approach to science. 2003.

Sniper: Inside the Hunt for the Killers Who Terrorized the Nation RC 57252
by Sari Horwitz and Michael E. Ruane
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
Reporters from the *Washington Post* chronicle the hunt for the perpetrator(s) of ten random serial shootings during the fall of 2002 around the nation's capital and elsewhere. Concludes with the arrests of John Muhammad and Lee Boyd Malvo at a Maryland highway rest stop. Some violence. 2003.

Israelis and Palestinians: Why Do They Fight? Can They Stop? RC 57256
by Bernard Wasserstein
read by Butch Hoover
1 cassette
History professor offers reasons for the conflict in Israel other than ethnic and religious differences. Posits that neither Jews nor Arabs "are animated by crazed psychopathy" but rather fight over definable interests. Suggests that multifaceted analysis of demographic, socioeconomic, environmental, and ter-

ritorial dimensions of the struggle may facilitate a peaceful resolution. 2003.

Fire and Ashes: On the Front Lines of American Wildfire RC 57258
by John N. Maclean
read by Alec Volz
2 cassettes
Writer of *Fire on the Mountain (RC 50200)* examines the conditions in America's forests, the history of wildland fires, and the dangers of fighting them. Includes an interview with the last survivor of a 1949 tragedy that the author's father wrote about in *Young Men and Fire (RC 35639)*. Some strong language. 2003.

The Secret Service: The Hidden History of an Enigmatic Agency RC 57260
by Philip H. Melanson
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
A government secrecy expert recounts the development of the Secret Service, from its formation in 1865 to combat the counterfeit currency trade to its contemporary role as protector of the president. Melanson evaluates the agency's inner workings and explores the personal lives of agents and their relationships with those they protect. 2002.

A Dab of Dickens and a Touch of Twain: Literary Lives from Shakespeare's Old England to Frost's New England RC 57266
by Elliot Engel
read by Janis Gray
2 cassettes
Professor of literature offers insights—little known and non-stuffy—about the intertwined lives and works of nineteen favorite authors, among them Edgar Allan Poe, whose *Tales of Mystery and Imagination (RC 21734)* are the forerunners of the modern short story, and D.H. Lawrence, liberated author of *Lady Chatterley's Lover (RC 44295)*. 2002.

Let's Talk: Sharing Our Thoughts and Feelings during Times of Crisis RC 57267
by Michele Alpern
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
Offers teens practical information on coping with stressful events such as death, divorce, job loss, and disasters. Suggests ways to deal with depression and anxiety and outlines strategies for establishing good communication. For junior and senior high readers. 2003.

In the Beginning: The Story of the King James Bible and How It Changed a Nation, a Language, and a Culture RC 57270
by Alister E. McGrath
read by Janis Gray
3 cassettes
An Oxford University theology professor recounts the production of the King James Version of the Bible, detailing its impact on England's history, politics, literature, and law. Describes how the availability of the Scripture to ordinary people in plain English inspired a revolution of free thought, culminating in concepts of constitutional government and democracy. 2001.

Mr. Strangelove: A Biography of Peter Sellers RC 57272
by Ed Sikov
read by Fred Major
4 cassettes
Biographer explores the quirky comic genius of Peter Sellers, famous for *The Pink Panther* films, *Dr. Strangelove*, and

Lolita. Interviewing family, friends, and colleagues, Sikov reconstructs Sellers's bizarre showbiz childhood, his successful film career, four unsuccessful marriages, and the emotional isolation provoked by his struggle for identity. 2002.

Choosing Naia: A Family's Journey
RC 57277
by Mitchell Zuckoff
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Chronicles the experiences of an interracial couple coping with the news that their unborn child has a heart defect and probable Down syndrome. Details their agonizing decision to keep and raise the baby and explores the role of medical technology in abortion decisions. 2002.

Women in the Middle East: Tradition and Change RC 57282
by Ramsay M. Harik and Elsa Marston
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
Social history of women, mainly Arab and Muslim, in the Middle East from Morocco to Pakistan. The authors explain the diversity of the region and the varying roles that religion, family, education, work, and traditions play in the women's lives. For senior high and older readers. 2003.

The Sea Hunters II RC 57292
by Clive Cussler and Craig Dirgo
read by Bob Askey
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Sea Hunters (RC 43934)*, the author and his colleagues from the National Underwater and Marine Agency, a nonprofit group that searches for shipwrecks of historical significance, continue their adventures. Among the wrecks they seek are French explorer La Salle's flagship, Civil War ironclads, and PT-109. 2002.

Bittersweet: The Story of Sugar
RC 57299
by Peter Macinnis
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Overview of the history of sugar production from its beginnings in New Guinea some nine thousand years ago to New World plantations using slave labor and finally to twentieth century developments. Discusses the sugar trade's influence on economic policies and international relations. Also notes the environmental destruction caused by sugar cane harvesting. 2002.

Teens under the Influence: The Truth about Kids, Alcohol, and Other Drugs; How to Recognize the Problem and What to Do about It RC 57302
by Katherine Ketcham and Nicholas A. Pace
read by Jill Ferris
3 cassettes
Resource guide to help parents combat adolescent substance abuse. Detailed passages explain teenage addiction, biological and environmental factors, and the short-and long-term effects of specific drugs. Provides information about diagnosis, intervention, treatment options, the recovery process, and strategies for coping with relapses. 2003.

Behind the Lines: The Oral History of Special Operations in World War II
RC 57309
by Russell Miller
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
British journalist compiles letters, diaries, military documents, and firsthand accounts of World War II special agents

who volunteered with the U.S. Office of Strategic Services and Britain's Special Operations Executive. Details high-risk missions of subversion and sabotage in occupied Europe, the Balkans, Burma, and Malaya. Some violence. 2002.

To Conquer the Air: The Wright Brothers and the Great Race for Flight
RC 57312
by James Tobin
read by Jake Williams
4 cassettes
Award-winning author reconstructs the early twentieth century competition to create a flying machine. While highlighting the monumental achievements of Wilbur and Orville Wright, Tobin also details the efforts of their rivals—including inventor Alexander Graham Bell and Smithsonian secretary Samuel Langley. 2003.

Sweet Recovery: A Young Woman's Emotional Ride with Diabetes, Vision Loss, and Food Addiction . . . to Health and Freedom RC 57322
by Denise J. Bradley
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
The author of *What Does It Feel Like to Have Diabetes? (RC 32581)* describes the effect on her and her family of two decades of uncontrolled illness. Recalls how she became healthy through self-motivation and careful oversight of her condition. 1992.

Solo Suppers: Simple Delicious Meals to Cook for Yourself RC 57326
by Joyce Goldstein
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Restaurant chef offers sophisticated recipes designed for the single diner that minimize leftovers and maximize the versatility of basic ingredients. Goldstein includes tips on "shopping for one," planning meals, stocking a pantry, and outfitting a kitchen. Meal ideas cover soups, salads, sauces, pastas, seafood, meat, poultry, and desserts. 2003.

For Spacious Skies: The Uncommon Journey of a Mercury Astronaut
RC 57329
by Scott Carpenter and Kris Stoever
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Autobiography of one of the seven Project Mercury astronauts. Carpenter revisits his childhood, naval aviation training, and selection to NASA's landmark program. He details his 1962 three-orbit mission aboard *Aurora 7* and his reactions that averted disaster upon reentry. Cowritten with his daughter. 2002.

Heart Full of Lies: A True Story of Desire and Death RC 57330
by Ann Rule
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Former Seattle policewoman reconstructs the murder of an airline pilot by his "brilliant and charismatic sociopath" wife. Reports details of the case from the discovery of Chris Northon's body at a rural Oregon campsite in October 2000 and Liysa Northon's claims of abuse and self-defense to her trial and conviction in 2001. 2003.

The Alzheimer's Health Care Handbook: How to Get the Best Medical Care for Your Relative with Alzheimer's Disease in and out of the Hospital RC 57332
by Mary S. Mittelman and Cynthia Epstein
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Advice for caregivers of Alzheimer's patients who suffer from physical ailments as well as dementia. Covers doctors' visits, medications, emergencies, hospital stays, post-hospitalization care, and end-of-life decisions. Also includes nursing home information and tips on self-care for the caregiver. 2002.

In the Shadow of Memory RC 57334
by Floyd Skloot
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Poet and novelist pens a first-person account of living with brain damage caused by a virus attack at age forty-one. Describes the process of reassembling his memories, relearning tasks of daily living, and coping with his ravaged mind. Also depicts experiences dealing with the Social Security Administration and dying family members. 2003.

Final Accounting: Ambition, Greed, and the Fall of Arthur Andersen RC 57336
by Barbara Ley Toffler
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Former ethics consultant for Arthur Andersen chronicles events leading to the prestigious accounting firm's demise, including its 2002 conviction for obstruction of justice in the federal investigation of star client Enron. Toffler provides an insider's look at gradually deteriorating values and increasing corporate corruption that, in her view, caused this and other financial scandals. 2003.

The Breast Reconstruction Guidebook: Issues and Answers from Research to Recovery RC 57339
by Kathy Steligo
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Breast-cancer survivor describes mastectomy and available options for breast reconstruction as well as the details of each procedure. Includes information on finding the right doctor, navigating the insurance maze, recovering from surgery, and dealing with lifestyle changes. 2003.

Pain-Free Arthritis: A Seven-Step Program for Feeling Better Again RC 57341
by Harris H. McIlwain and Debra Fulghum Bruce
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Rheumatologist offers a multistep plan for alleviating arthritis and other painful conditions, such as carpal tunnel syndrome and fibromyalgia, through therapeutic exercise, diet, and medication. Also discusses alternative therapies and includes recipes. 2003.

Mayo Clinic on Osteoporosis RC 57342
edited by Stephen Hodgson
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
Physician at the Mayo Clinic discusses how to keep bones healthy and strong to reduce the risk of fracture. Explains screening and diagnosis of osteoporosis, its prevention and treatment, as well as medication, exercise, diet, and home safety issues. 2003.

***The Diamond Sutra* and *The Sutra of Hui-Neng* RC 57343**
translated by A.F. Price and Mou-lam Wong
read by Gordon Gould
2 cassettes
The Diamond Sutra, a sacred Buddhist scripture, passed into written format in the fourth century A.D. Price's English translation of the text was made in 1947. In 1929 Wong made the first English translation of *The Sutra of Hui-Neng*, a T'ang dynasty record of sermons and sayings belonging to the Zen tradition. 1947.

My Jihad: The True Story of an American Mujahid's Amazing Journey from Usama Bin Laden's Training Camps to Counterterrorism with the FBI and CIA RC 57346
by Aukai Collins
read by Ralph Lowenstein
2 cassettes
Autobiographical account by an American who converted to Islam during a stint in prison as a teenager. Recalls his participation in jihads in Bosnia and Chechnya, subsequent disillusionment with use of Islam to justify terrorist attacks killing civilians, and recruitment by U.S. intelligence as an undercover operative. Violence and strong language. 2002.

"My Heart Became Attached": The Strange Journey of John Walker Lindh RC 57347
by Mark Kukis
read by Ralph Lowenstein
2 cassettes
Biography of the "American Taliban," the first U.S. citizen charged under the Patriot Act. Traces Lindh's odyssey from affluent California childhood through Arabic studies in Yemen, terrorist training in Pakistan, and combat alongside the Taliban in the Afghanistan war to his eventual U.S. trial as an enemy combatant. Research included copious author interviews. 2003.

The March Up: Taking Baghdad with the 1st Marine Division RC 57350
by Bing West and Ray L. Smith
read by Peter Johnson
2 cassettes
Account of the march from Kuwait to Baghdad in the second Gulf War. Retired marine Major General Smith and former marine West, embedded journalists, describe "life and death on the front line" and the civilians and enemy soldiers they encountered during Operation Iraqi Freedom in March 2003. Introduction by John Keegan. Some strong language. 2003.

A Royal Duty RC 57361
by Paul Burrell
read by David Cutler
3 cassettes
Burrell, footman to Queen Elizabeth and butler to the late Princess of Wales, details Diana's life from the vantage point of his position of trust. Claiming personal access to Diana's confidences and facts behind the rumor mill, he undertakes to allay speculation about her plans for remarriage and relocation to America. Bestseller 2003.

Stillness Speaks RC 57365
by Eckhart Tolle
read by Erik Synnestvedt
1 cassette
In short concise pieces that can be read individually or as a whole, Tolle, author of *The Power of Now (RC 55646)*, addresses the spiritual needs of people in the twenty-first century by showing

them how to obtain inner peace. Best-seller 2003.

Fish! Tales: Real-Life Stories to Help You Transform Your Workplace and Your Life RC 57384

by Stephen C. Lundin and others
read by Dan Toohey
1 cassette
In this companion to *Fish! (RC 54813)*, four companies improve their employees' morale and boost productivity by using positive reinforcement. They include businesses big and small: a hospital, a phone company, a car dealership, and a roofing company. Offers exercises to achieve a positive attitude. 2002.

Sickened: The Memoir of a Munchausen by Proxy Childhood RC 57390

by Julie Gregory
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Author recalls a childhood of constant visits to doctors seeking cures for ailments invented by her mother, who suffered a psychological disorder (Munchausen by proxy) that causes caregivers to falsify illness in dependent persons to gain attention. Learning about this condition in college, Gregory came to recognize her mother's abuse. Some violence and some strong language. 2003.

Arnold: The Education of a Bodybuilder RC 57392

by Arnold Schwarzenegger
read by Erik Synnestvedt
2 cassettes
Autobiographical account by the several-time winner of the Mr. Universe and Mr. Olympia titles relating his tireless struggle to reach the top in his field. Schwarzenegger also describes his diet, exercise, and progressive weight resistance training regimens for developing the body to its full potential. 1977.

A Man Called Peter: The Story of Peter Marshall RC 57404

by Catherine Marshall
read by Margaret Strom
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Widow writes the biography of her husband, a poor Scottish immigrant who became the senior minister at New York Avenue Presbyterian Church in the nation's capital and chaplain of the United States Senate. Fiftieth anniversary edition includes additional selections of his prayers and sermons with a foreword by Marshall's son. 2001.

If I Live to Be One Hundred: Lessons from the Centenarians RC 57408

by Neenah Ellis
read by Faith Potts
1 cassette
What began as an NPR history project became the author's personal search for the secret to living well. Ellis recalls her interviews with nineteen exceptional Americans aged one hundred or more, from 103-year-old Anna Wilmot who indulges in an occasional skinny-dip to a centenarian couple married for eighty years. 2002.

The Queen of Clean Conquers Clutter RC 57420

by Linda Cobb
read by Margaret Strom
1 cassette
Author of books on house cleaning *(RC 51054)* and home management *(RC 53944)* offers suggestions for getting rid of clutter. From room to room Cobb shows how to use her QUEEN system: question, unpack, evaluate, eliminate, and neaten up. Her advice

for the kitchen covers storage life for various foods. 2002.

George Foreman's Guide to Life: How to Get Up off the Canvas When Life Knocks You Down RC 57421
by George Foreman
read by David Toney
1 cassette
Two-time heavyweight boxing champion of the world, father of ten, and author of *By George (RC 40645)* gives advice on how to handle life's challenges. Foreman shares what he learned from his own triumphs and losses—including lessons on overcoming adversity, keeping dreams alive, and raising children. 2002.

Bringing Elizabeth Home: A Journey of Faith and Hope RC 57429
by Ed Smart and Lois Smart
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
Mormon parents describe their ordeal when their fourteen-year-old daughter, Elizabeth, was kidnapped in June 2002 and their joy when she was found alive in March 2003. The Smarts recall the deep faith in God that sustained their family and to which they attribute Elizabeth's miraculous return. Bestseller 2003.

Keep Chickens! Tending Small Flocks in Cities, Suburbs, and Other Small Spaces RC 57434
by Barbara Kilarski
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
A collection of frequently asked questions for city slickers who want to raise poultry. Coop construction, hen selection and care, egg laying and gathering (one doesn't need a rooster to get eggs), and chicken health are among the tips for the urban breeder. Includes recipes. 2003.

Mission Jupiter: The Spectacular Journey of the Galileo Spacecraft RC 57435
by Daniel Fischer
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
Award-winning German columnist describes the landmark discoveries of NASA's Galileo space probe, which reached Jupiter—after passing by Venus and two asteroids—in December 1995, more than six years after liftoff. Fischer provides mission history and specifications, focusing on what the project data revealed about the planet's moons and atmosphere. 1998.

Virginia and the Capital Region: A Smithsonian Guide to Historic America RC 57436
by Henry Wiencek
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Travel guide to colonial and postcolonial sites in the Chesapeake Bay region, which encompasses Virginia, Maryland, Delaware, and the District of Columbia. Provides detailed historical background, hours of operation, fees, and contact information for parks, memorials, museums, Civil and Revolutionary War battlefields, plantation houses, forts, port cities, and more. 1989.

Just Hand Over the Chocolate and No One Will Get Hurt RC 57443
by Karen Scalf Linamen
read by Mitzi Friedlander
1 cassette
Contributing editor for *Today's Christian Woman* magazine offers fifteen ways women can lift their spirits in times of stress that go beyond eating chocolate.

Linamen focuses on emotional, physical, and spiritual health with these "warm fuzzies, quick fixes, good ideas, and long-term solutions." 1999.

Bush v. Gore: Controversial Presidential Election Case RC 57466

by Diana K. Sergis
read by Butch Hoover
1 cassette
Discusses the 2000 landmark decision by the Supreme Court that resulted in Texas governor George W. Bush becoming the forty-third U.S. president. Describes the contested ballot recounts in Florida, battles in state and federal courts, and constitutional arguments presented to the nation's highest court by Bush and his challenger, Vice President Albert Gore. For senior high and older readers. 2003.

Facing the Lion: Growing Up Maasai on the African Savanna RC 57478

by Joseph Lemasolai Lekuton
read by Frank Coffee
1 cassette
Virginia teacher recounts his childhood as a nomadic tribe member in northern Kenya. Describes running from lions, tending cattle, being circumcised at thirteen to become a "warrior," attending boarding school, searching for his wandering village during vacations, and leaving home to study in the United States. For junior and senior high readers. 2003.

Jelly's Blues: The Life, Music, and Redemption of Jelly Roll Morton RC 57482

by Howard Reich and William Gaines
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Biography of Ferdinand "Jelly Roll" Morton, a New Orleans-born pianist who claimed to have invented jazz. Drawing on recently discovered archives, the authors document the innovative composer's turn-of-the-century rise to fame, his 1930s fall into obscurity and poverty, and his later avant-garde scores. Also considers evidence belying his undeserved reputation as a hustler and liar. 2003.

Tycho and Kepler: The Unlikely Partnership That Forever Changed Our Understanding of the Heavens RC 57485

by Kitty Ferguson
read by Dennis Rooney
3 cassettes
Dual biography of Renaissance astronomers Tycho Brahe (1546–1601), a Danish aristocrat, and German-born mathematician Johannes Kepler (1571–1630). Details their lives, eccentric personalities, contributions to the field, and their remarkable relationship at a time of conflict in Europe between religion and science. 2002.

A Daily Dose of the American Dream: Stories of Success, Triumph, and Inspiration RC 57501

by Alan C. Elliott
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
A reading for each day of the year about motivated individuals who have achieved success. Includes anecdotes and quotations selected to challenge the reader to aspire to greater heights. The messages "will change you from spectator to participant in the American Dream." 1998.

Overcoming Hearing Aid Fears: The Road to Better Hearing RC 57511
by John M. Burkey
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
An audiologist describes the loss of hearing as a traumatic condition that with patience and good information can be navigated. Addresses the benefits and fears surrounding hearing aids, using experiences of patients in his own practice. Provides information on types of hearing aids and their cost, health insurance, and general resources. 2003.

An Intimate Look at the Night Sky RC 57521
by Chet Raymo
read by Ralph Lowenstein
2 cassettes
Essays by an astronomy professor describing what objects—planets, stars, and constellations—can be seen in different seasons. Raymo then imaginatively connects these nighttime sights to unseen wonders of the universe, such as supernovas, black holes, and galaxies. He also suggests a hypothesis for the end of the universe some 150 billion years from now. 2001.

Frederick Douglass: For the Great Family of Man RC 57522
by Peter Burchard
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Biography of Frederick Douglass (1818–1895), an escaped slave from Maryland who became an abolitionist, a crusader for women's rights, and an advisor to President Abraham Lincoln. Discusses Douglass's personal life, his professional accomplishments, and his influence before and after the Civil War. Some strong language. For junior and senior high readers. 2003.

The Orion Nebula: Where Stars Are Born RC 57523
by C. Robert O'Dell
read by Gordon Gould
2 cassettes
Former project scientist for the Hubble space telescope chronicles the technology providing better observation of Earth's nearest nebula, a stellar nursery of collapsing gas and dust from which stars and planets are born. Discusses contributions of seventeenth- to twentieth-century astronomers to modern understanding of stars and the nature of the universe. 2003.

One Hundred One Tips for a Healthy Pregnancy with Diabetes RC 57527
by Patti B. Geil and
Laura B. Hieronymus
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
Answers to frequently asked questions about issues unique to women with diabetes, both preexisting and gestational. Stresses the importance of monitoring blood glucose throughout the pregnancy; addresses nutrition, medication, and labor and delivery; and details postpartum care to ensure the best health for baby and mother. 2003.

Blindsided: Lifting a Life above Illness; a Reluctant Memoir RC 57643
by Richard M. Cohen
read by Peter Johnson
2 cassettes
Emmy Award-winning television news producer and journalist chronicles his battle with multiple sclerosis and colon cancer. While detailing his vision loss and other symptoms, Cohen's frank account is "not about suffering" but about

"surviving and flourishing, rising above fear and self-doubt" with the support of his wife and children. Bestseller 2004.

General Washington's Christmas Farewell: A Mount Vernon Homecoming, 1783 RC 57652
by Stanley Weintraub
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Author of *Long Day's Journey into War (RC 35443)* recreates the victorious commander's four-week journey home to Virginia after the Revolutionary War. Weintraub describes Washington's experiences along the way, including the farewell to his troops in New York, resignation of his commission in Annapolis, and reunion with his wife, Martha, on Christmas Eve. 2003.

Mapping Mars: Science, Imagination, and the Birth of a World RC 57657
by Oliver Morton
read by Lewis Grenville
3 cassettes
Explores the telecommunications technology, scientists, and artists behind the mapping of the Martian landscape—once left to the imaginations of science fiction writers. Morton chronicles nineteenth-century observations and twentieth-century space expeditions to survey and understand the mountains, canyons, and missing waters of the Red Planet. 2002.

The Bullfighter Checks Her Makeup: My Encounters with Extraordinary People RC 57670
by Susan Orlean
read by Suzanne Toren
3 cassettes
More than twenty profiles by *New Yorker* writer and author of *The Orchid Thief (RC 48462)* of people who captured her interest throughout her career. Subjects range from the well-known, among them designer Bill Blass, to the unknown—for example, a typical ten-year-old boy—and many in between, such as Spain's first female matador. 2001.

My Life RC 58100
by Bill Clinton
read by Michael Beck
9 cassettes in 2 containers
Detailed autobiography of William Jefferson Clinton, forty-second U.S. president. 2004.

Cassettes Fiction

***The Shuttered Room* and Other Tales of Terror RC 54788**
by H.P. Lovecraft and August Derleth
read by Conrad Feininger
1 cassette (Reissue)
Six tales of horror. In the title piece Abner Whateley's grandfather left him a strange letter instructing him to destroy every living thing in a shuttered room. Abner did not understand the message until he saw dusty prints and a monstrous creature squatting on the bed. 1971.

Restitution RC 55606
by Richard S. Wheeler
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
Prosperous Utah rancher Truman Jackson and his wife, Gracie, are respected neighbors in Cottonwood until Truman feels compelled to confess his teenage outlaw past. He wants to repay man and God for his gang's transgressions but doesn't foresee the immediate consequences. 2001.

Wicked: The Life and Times of the Wicked Witch of the West RC 55810
by Gregory Maguire
read by Celeste Lawson
4 cassettes
Traces the life of the witch Elphaba from the *Wizard of Oz (RC 51047)*, both before and after Dorothy arrives. After attending a university with her roommate Glinda, Elphaba learns that a despotic Wizard is threatening animal rights in Oz. Some explicit descriptions of sex. For senior high and older readers. 1995.

True to Form RC 55811
by Elizabeth Berg
read by Carolyn Hecker
2 cassettes
1961. Thirteen-year-old Katie Nash, from *Durable Goods (RC 37047)* and *Joy School (RC 45179)*, has trouble fitting in and misses her old friends when she moves from Texas to Missouri with her widowed father. But a trip back home forces her to reevaluate her own discontent. For senior high and older readers. 2002.

Have Space Suit, Will Travel RC 55814
by Robert A. Heinlein
read by Russ Weinstein
2 cassettes
High school senior Kip Russell longs to go to the moon but is kidnapped by space pirates. He meets other prisoners on a flying saucer—an eleven-year-old girl named Peewee and a strange creature they call the Mother Thing. For junior and senior high readers. 1958.

The Little Friend RC 55856
by Donna Tartt
read by MaryBeth Wise
5 cassettes
Mississippi, 1960s. Nine-year-old Robin Dufresnes is found hanging from a tree. Twelve years later, his tomboyish sister Harriet, an infant at the time of the murder, begins a search for his killer. With the help of her friend Hely, she concentrates on drug dealer Danny Ratliff. Strong language and some violence. Bestseller 2002.

Hombre RC 56001
by Elmore Leonard
read by Chuck Benson
1 cassette
A stagecoach robbery in 1884 reveals the true character of the victims—especially of John Russell, known as Hombre. He was shunned for his Apache ties by his travel companions, until they needed his physical prowess to save them. Basis for the 1967 film with same title. 1961.

The Losers' Club RC 56010
by John Lekich
read by Rick Wiseman
2 cassettes
Jerry, a high school bully who extorts money from his classmates, challenges Alex and his Losers' Club friends to a holiday decorating contest. Alex, who has cerebral palsy, and his buddies surpass everyone's expectations—and Alex gets a girlfriend too! For junior and senior high readers. 2002.

An Act of Love RC 56225
by Nancy Thayer
read by Cyn Delafield
2 cassettes
Linda and Owen McFarland's marriage falls apart when Linda's teenage daughter Emily attempts suicide after being raped. Emily accuses her older stepbrother Bruce of the attack, but he vehemently denies it. Each parent struggles with conflicting emotions until the

truth finally comes out. Explicit descriptions of sex and strong language. 1997.

Blood of My Blood RC 56371
by Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings
read by Gillian Green
1 cassette
This autobiographical first novel—unpublished until 2002—by the Pulitzer Prize winner for *The Yearling (RC 33466)* chronicles the author's growth as an artist. Includes portrayals of her sympathetic father; her cold, domineering mother; and some pioneer ancestors. 1928.

The Stepford Wives RC 56376
by Ira Levin
read by Cyn Delafield
1 cassette
Joanna moves to an idyllic small town with her husband and children. She soon notices that all of the housewives appear to be beautiful but brainless zombies, and the men disappear nightly into their mysterious clubhouse. 2002 introduction by Peter Straub. Some strong language. 1972.

Coming to My Senses RC 56381
by Pam Rice
read by Mimi Bederman
2 cassettes
Elderly widow Addie Marsh is losing her eyesight due to macular degeneration. Fighting to keep her lakeside home, she refuses to move to an assisted living facility. Instead, she learns to cope, deriving strength from her memories, a support group, and the friendship of a new neighbor abused by her boyfriend. 2001.

From the Listening Hills RC 56382
by Louis L'Amour
read by Gary Roan
2 cassettes
Posthumously published collection of twelve tales by the well-known author of westerns. Contains his first and last short stories, "Anything for a Pal" and "The Moon of the Trees Broken by Snow," as well as a pair of World War II adventures, four westerns, a couple of football stories, and two crime tales. 2003.

Come Home, My Heart RC 56383
by Phyllis Campbell
read by Mimi Bederman
1 cassette
Dr. Susan Perry, an obstetrician, becomes blind after the removal of a brain tumor. Once rehabilitated, she moves to a poor, rural Virginia town. In her new career as a social worker, she becomes an integral part of the community and falls in love. 1988.

Matchstick Men RC 56384
by Eric Garcia
read by Gary Roan
2 cassettes
Roy and Frankie are two aging flim-flam artists waiting to pull one last score. Roy, suffering from obsessive-compulsive disorder, encounters Angela, the teenage daughter he never knew he had, and decides to go straight. Unfortunately Angela wants to learn the game. Strong language and some violence. 2002.

King's Dragon: Crown of Stars, Volume 1 RC 56488
by Kate Elliott
read by Anne Flosnik
4 cassettes
King Henry of Wendar and Varre is threatened by the nonhuman Eika to the north and by his half-sister Sabella's rebellion within the realm. Two orphans, Liath and Alain—one a sorcerer's daughter, one of unknown parent-

age—are drawn into the kingdom's struggles. Precedes *Prince of Dogs (RC 56489)*. Violence and some descriptions of sex. 1997.

Prince of Dogs: Crown of Stars, Volume 2 RC 56489
by Kate Elliott
read by Anne Flosnik
5 cassettes
After squelching Sabella's revolt in *King's Dragon (RC 56488)*, King Henry and his allies plot to retake Gent from the Eika, who conquered the city and captured Prince Sanglant. A battle looms as Liath grieves for Sanglant. Alain, proclaimed a count's heir, strives to prove his worth. Violence. 1998.

The Year's Best Science Fiction: Twentieth Annual Collection RC 56499
edited by Gardner Dozois
read by Richard Hauenstein
7 cassettes in 2 containers
Editor reviews the status of science fiction published in 2002 and presents twenty-five stories by masters of the genre. The collection includes literary works by new writers and by established authors such as Nancy Kress, Bruce Sterling, Gregory Benford, Michael Swanwick, and Ian McDonald. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2003.

Great Lion of God RC 56627
by Taylor Caldwell
read by Geoffrey Centlivre
6 cassettes (Reissue)
A novel of the life of Saul, later to be St. Paul, who, as the pious and intellectual son of a wealthy Roman Jewish family, was both a scholar and a poet with a sense of sin and desire for forgiveness that overshadowed his entire life. 1970.

A Simple Habana Melody (from When the World Was Good) RC 56641
by Oscar Hijuelos
read by Dan Bloom
2 cassettes
1947. Aging Cuban composer Israel Levis, although mistaken for a Jew and imprisoned by Nazis occupying Paris, has survived the Holocaust. He makes a nostalgic Havana homecoming—a changed man with fond memories of prewar life and of his impossible love for singer Rita Valladares. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some violence. 2002.

The Piano Tuner RC 56648
by Daniel Mason
read by Connie Crawford
3 cassettes
October 1886. The British War Office asks mild-mannered piano tuner Edgar Drake to repair the instrument of an unorthodox officer on a peace-seeking mission in Burma. Leaving his wife behind, Drake travels to remote jungles, experiencing a perilous and seductive journey of self-discovery. Some descriptions of sex. 2002.

Staggerford RC 56651
by Jon Hassler
read by Erik Synnestvedt
2 cassettes
Miles Pruitt teaches at the same high school he graduated from, eats at the same cafe, and sees the same faces every day in the small town of Staggerford, Minnesota. But during one week in his routine life, surprises still happen. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1977.

Summer of Pearls RC 56653
by Mike Blakely
read by Ray Childs
2 cassettes
In 1944, at age eighty-four, Ben Crowell recalls the events of 1874, his fourteenth summer. During the pearl rush in Port Caddo, Texas, that year, Judd Kelso, a local riverboat captain, was murdered. Ben witnessed the effects of greed, survived a steamboat explosion, and fell in love. Some strong language. Spur Award. 2000.

Green Angel RC 56667
by Alice Hoffman
read by Connie Crawford
1 cassette
Called Green because of her talent for gardening, this fifteen-year-old changes her name to Ash after she loses her family to a disaster in a nearby city. She covers her body with dark tattoos that begin turning green as she responds to others' needs. For junior and senior high readers. 2003.

The Winds of War RC 56737
by Herman Wouk
read by Roy Avers
8 cassettes in 2 containers (Reissue)
In 1939, Commander Victor Henry of the U.S. Navy is assigned to Berlin as a naval attaché. After the bombing of Pearl Harbor, he sees his sons, Warren and Byron, go off to war; his daughter, Madeline, caught in a love affair; and his wife, Rhoda, contemplating divorce. Some strong language. 1971.

Snopes: *The Hamlet*, *The Town*, *The Mansion* RC 56745
by William Faulkner
read by John Polk
8 cassettes in 2 containers
Saga of the Snopes family of mythical Yoknapatawpha County in Mississippi, from the Civil War into the twentieth century. The trilogy, consisting of *The Hamlet* (1940), *The Town* (1957), and *The Mansion* (1959), is presented here as a unified work, following the author's original intentions. 1994.

War and Remembrance RC 56764
by Herman Wouk
read by Roy Avers
9 cassettes in 2 containers (Reissue)
In the sequel to *The Winds of War (RC 56737)*, Navy captain Victor Henry and his sons, Warren and Byron, join in the fight against the Nazis and the Japanese. Meanwhile Byron's Jewish wife and son are stranded in Europe and sent to a prison camp. Some strong language. 1978.

Maggie Needs an Alibi RC 56795
by Kasey Michaels
read by Coleen Delany
2 cassettes
When bestselling mystery writer Maggie Kelly's Regency-era characters come to life in her Manhattan living room, she is sure she is dreaming. It is Saint Just and his sidekick who come to her rescue, however, after she is accused of poisoning her publisher and former lover. Strong language. 2002.

Sign-Talker: The Adventure of George Drouillard on the Lewis and Clark Expedition RC 56803
by James Alexander Thom
read by Rick Rohan
3 cassettes
Fictitious reconstruction of the experiences of half-Shawnee, half-Frenchman George Pierre Drouillard (1773–1810), a hired hunter and interpreter for the Lewis and Clark expedition. Chronicles the monumental survey of the rugged

American West and explores the spiritual culture of Native Americans and their struggles with early settlers. Violence and some descriptions of sex. 2000.

The Cock's Spur RC 56805
by Charles F. Price
read by Terence Aselford
2 cassettes
Hamby McFee, ex-slave of the Curtis family, still helps tend their land although he wants to leave the valley. Needing funds, he becomes involved in cockfighting. Consequently he helps others free themselves from the clutches of the area's moonshine kingpin. Sequel to *Freedom's Altar (RC 51065)*. Violence and strong language. 2000.

Waifs and Strays RC 56811
by Charles De Lint
read by Erik Synnestvedt
3 cassettes
Fantasy stories about teenagers in many shapes and guises, collected from different stages of De Lint's career. In "The Graceless Child" sixteen-year-old misfit Tetchie, who has troll blood, summons the courage to help the "dreamlord" fight his brother, Nightmare. For senior high and older readers. 2002.

Bangkok Eight RC 56818
by John Burdett
read by Rick Rohan
3 cassettes
Buddhist detective Sonchai Jitpleecheep of the Royal Thai Police, son of a Thai prostitute and an American soldier, investigates an African American marine's murder using snakes. Teamed with FBI agent Kimberley Jones, Sonchai also seeks revenge for his partner's death during the investigation. Strong language, some descriptions of sex, and some violence. 2003.

All over Creation RC 56826
by Ruth Ozeki
read by Mary Kane
3 cassettes
Elderly Idaho potato farmers Lloyd and Momoko Fuller run a seed company while neighbors Cassie and Will Quinn experiment with genetically modified products. When the Fullers' health fails, Cassie persuades their estranged daughter to return. Meanwhile an anti-biotech group befriended by Lloyd targets an agribusiness. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2003.

A Palestine Affair RC 56834
by Jonathan Wilson
read by Vanessa Maroney
2 cassettes
Jerusalem, 1924. English artist Bloomberg and his American wife, Joyce, a non-Jewish Zionist, arrive in British-ruled Palestine to begin a new life. After a murder in their garden, Joyce has an affair with Robert Kirsch, the British policeman investigating the crime. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2003.

Nothing That Meets the Eye: The Uncollected Stories of Patricia Highsmith RC 56857
by Patricia Highsmith
read by Madelyn Buzzard
4 cassettes
Collection of short stories from the author of *The Talented Mr. Ripley (RC 50315)*, complete with plot twists, misfits, and murderers. In "A Dangerous Hobby," a misogynistic kleptomaniac faces discovery. In "Music to Die By," a postal employee plots the exter-

mination of his coworkers. Some violence. 2002.

Presumption of Death RC 56870
by Perri O'Shaughnessy
read by Mary Kane
3 cassettes
After avoiding disbarment in *Unfit to Practice (RC 54806)*, attorney Nina Reilly takes time off to spend with her lover Paul in her hometown of Carmel Valley, California. When her former assistant's son, Wish Whitefeather, is accused of arson and murder nearby, Nina defends him. Strong language and some violence. 2003.

Star Wars: A Clone Wars Novel; Shatterpoint RC 56882
by Matthew Stover
read by Chuck Benson
3 cassettes
Jedi Master Mace Windu's former student Depa Billaba disappears while training guerrilla fighters in the jungles of Haruun Kal, Mace's homeworld. A cryptic clue found at the scene of a massacre hints at Depa's involvement and a deeper madness, sending Mace on a journey to bring her back—or destroy her. 2003.

Fear Itself RC 56886
by Walter Mosley
read by Don Cheadle
2 cassettes
Los Angeles, 1955. African American bookstore owner Paris Minton agrees to help his friend, Fearless Jones, locate his missing boss. Their search becomes entangled with the affairs of millionaire Winifred L. Fine, her priceless family diary, murder, and extortion. Sequel to *Fearless Jones (RC 52362)*. Violence and strong language. 2003.

What Happened to Lani Garver RC 56888
by Carol Plum-Ucci
read by MaryBeth Wise
2 cassettes
Sixteen-year-old Claire struggles with increasing concerns about a recurrence of her leukemia and her mother's alcoholism until an enigmatic newcomer Lani—who is either a boy, a girl, or perhaps a "floating angel"—helps her get control of her life at the risk of his own. Strong language. For senior high readers. 2002.

Long for This World RC 56889
by Michael Byers
read by Rick Rohan
3 cassettes
While studying a fatal aging disease in children, geneticist Dr. Henry Moss finds a potential cure that will brand him unethical but make him incredibly wealthy. Meanwhile, his nonpracticing physician wife and two teenage children struggle with unfulfilled expectations of their own. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2003.

Chill Wind RC 56891
by Janet McDonald
read by Andrea Frierson-Toney
1 cassette
Nineteen-year-old Aisha, from *Spellbound (RC 56560)*, is living on welfare with her two children when her checks run out. Faced with homelessness, she is forced to try workfare until she discovers a job as a large-sized model. For senior high readers. Coretta Scott King Award. 2002.

Resolved RC 56892
by Robert K. Tanenbaum
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
Helped by terrorists, convicted killer Felix Tighe escapes from prison and returns to the New York streets seeking payback for those who put him behind bars—including assistant DA Butch Karp. With Karp's wife, Marlene, in self-imposed exile, Tighe unleashes his demonic assault on Karp's daughter, Lucy. Strong language and some violence. 2003.

The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time RC 56893
by Mark Haddon
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
Fifteen-year-old Christopher, who exhibits behavioral problems associated with autism, investigates the murder of his neighbor's dog. His severely logical approach leads him down an unexpected path, bringing him face to face with the dissolution of his parents' marriage while providing insight into the workings of his mind. Some strong language. Bestseller 2002.

One Night of Scandal RC 56896
by Teresa Medeiros
read by Coleen Delany
2 cassettes
Regency England, 1825. Before a London party, young Carlotta Fairleigh is discovered kissing Hayden St. Clair, a notorious neighbor dubbed the "Murderous Marquess," and is forced into marriage. At his Cornwall estate, Carlotta contends with Hayden's daughter while investigating his first wife's mysterious death. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2003.

Isle of Palms: A Lowcountry Tale RC 56900
by Dorothea Benton Frank
read by Michele Schaeffer
3 cassettes
Anna Lutz Abbot considers South Carolina's Isle of Palms her home, despite heartaches suffered there. She later returns to the island to make a place for herself and her daughter, Emily. She does so with spunk, heartbreak, and hilarious events as she gathers friends around. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2003.

Sense of Evil RC 56901
by Kay Hooper
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
South Carolina. With no leads to the serial killer stalking blond, beautiful women, police chief Rafe Sullivan needs help. The FBI sends in gorgeous Isabel Adams, a clairvoyant profiler who is flaxen-haired—a feature that could make her the next victim. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2003.

Green Rider: Green Rider, Book 1 RC 56903
by Kristen Britain
read by Annie Wauters
3 cassettes
Karigan G'ladheon, heading home through Green Cloak Woods after being expelled from school, encounters a dying Green Rider. Accepting the Rider's magic brooch and allowing his horse to guide her, Karigan agrees to carry his message to King Zachary—a perilous journey. Precedes *First Rider's Call (RC 56909)*. For senior high and older readers. 1998.

Split Second RC 56904
by David Baldacci
read by Scott Brick
2 cassettes
Secret Service agent Sean King's career ended after the assassination of a presidential candidate he was guarding. Eight years later, Sean's past converges with agent Michelle Maxwell, protecting another politician who gets kidnapped, and with former coworker and lover Joan Dillinger, who is investigating that abduction. Michelle—and more murders—convince Sean the incidents are related. Some violence. Bestseller 2003.

Jarka Ruus: High Druid of Shannara, Book 1 RC 56906
by Terry Brooks
read by Gary Tipton
3 cassettes
Twenty years after The Voyage of the *Jerle Shannara* trilogy *(RC 51015, RC 53482, RC 56242)*, Grianne Ohmsford has denounced her life as the Ilse Witch and destroyed Morgawr—but she still has enemies. When she disappears, Tagwen and her nephew Pen set out to find her. Some violence. Bestseller 2003.

The Victorious Opposition: American Empire, Book 3 RC 56907
by Harry Turtledove
read by John Polk
5 cassettes
Third installment in an alternative history series, following *The Center Cannot Hold (RC 54441)*. In 1934 Jake Featherston becomes president of the Confederate States of America, where African Americans are being forcibly interned. Stumbling leadership in the United States prompts Featherston to contemplate another war. Strong language, some descriptions of sex, and some violence. 2003.

The Wedding RC 56908
by Nicholas Sparks
read by Tom Wopat
2 cassettes
Jane and Wilson Lewis have been married for thirty years. Wilson realized a year ago that the love was gone from his marriage. With the help of Jane's father, Noah Calhoun, from *The Notebook (RC 43180)*, Wilson sets out to make his wife fall in love with him again. Bestseller 2003.

The Pleasure of My Company RC 56936
by Steve Martin
read by Steve Martin
1 cassette
Obsessive-compulsive Daniel Cambridge rarely leaves his shabby Santa Monica apartment but is visited twice weekly by Clarissa, a student shrink. When Clarissa and her baby hide out at his place, his grandmother dies, and he wins an essay contest, Daniel is forced to become part of the real world. Strong language. Bestseller 2003.

Going Home: A Barnaby Skye Novel RC 56987
by Richard S. Wheeler
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
In 1832 Barnaby Skye receives an offer he can't resist—a voyage from Fort Vancouver to London to obtain a pardon for deserting the Royal Navy and then a job with the Hudson's Bay Company. But Skye barely survives the ship's stopover in Mexican California. 2000.

She Is Me RC 57003
by Cathleen Schine
read by Patricia Kalember
2 cassettes
Manhattan professor Elizabeth Bernard moves to Los Angeles, with boyfriend Brett and their son in tow, to write a screenplay based on *Madame Bovary*. Both her ailing mother and grandmother live there and urge her to marry Brett. But Elizabeth fears commitment, and besides, she has fallen for someone else. Strong language. 2003.

The Five People You Meet in Heaven RC 57004
by Mitch Albom
read by Erik Singer
1 cassette
Eddie spends his last hours on Earth in his usual way, maintaining the Ruby Pier amusement park rides. But something goes wrong, and Eddie dies on his eighty-third birthday while trying to save a little girl. In heaven he meets five people who explain his life to him. Best-seller 2003.

Shark River RC 57042
by Randy Wayne White
read by Michael Russotto
2 cassettes
Covert operative turned marine biologist Doc Ford spends a working holiday on luxurious Guava Key. When Ford foils a would-be kidnapping, he becomes the target of a drug lord. Then he encounters political intrigue and a Bahamian woman claiming to be his sister. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2001.

The Rescue: The English Garden, Book 2 RC 57044
by Lori Wick
read by Vanessa Maroney
2 cassettes
England, 1811. Following *The Proposal (RC 57040)*, the Jenningses and Palmers get new neighbors when Robert Weston claims his inheritance. On the way to his estate, Weston acquires a wife in a most unusual manner: Anne falls off a ladder into his arms, and her religious —and unstable—father insists they marry. 2002.

Fifty-Two Pickup RC 57057
by Elmore Leonard
read by Christopher Walker
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Self-made Detroit millionaire Mitch Mitchell is blackmailed by three losers after having a brief affair with a stripper. When Mitch refuses to pay, murder, kidnapping, and more extortion follow. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1974.

Motorcycle Ride on the Sea of Tranquility RC 57064
by Patricia Santana
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
San Diego, 1969. Fourteen-year-old Mexican American Yolanda's older brother Chuy returns from the Vietnam War. Suffering emotionally from his experiences, Chuy lands in trouble. Meanwhile, Yolanda and her sisters chafe under their father's no-dating rule. Explicit descriptions of sex and strong language. For senior high and older readers. 2002.

Corruption of Blood RC 57066
by Robert K. Tanenbaum
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
Assistant New York D.A. Butch Karp is summoned to Washington, D.C., to reopen the investigation of the assassination of U.S. president John F. Kennedy. Karp's wife, Marlene Ciampi, takes on a different case, which eventually intersects with her husband's probe. Meanwhile a killer targets witnesses. Violence and strong language. 1995.

The Sky So Big and Black RC 57086
by John Barnes
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Orbital Resonance (RC 57085)*, Teri Murray's only wish is to quit school, marry her boyfriend, and join her father in "ecospecting" Mars. But after an atmospheric catastrophe, Teri has to save herself and the other surviving humans. Some strong language. For senior high and older readers. 2002.

Talon of the Silver Hawk: Conclave of Shadows, Book I RC 57087
by Raymond E. Feist
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
Midkemia. On the verge of manhood, young Kieli alone survives the slaughter of his Orosini people. Vowing vengeance, he must first repay his rescuers —members of the conclave, who adopt and train him to fulfill his destiny as Talon of the Silver Hawk. Violence and some descriptions of sex. 2003.

For Love and Glory RC 57106
by Poul Anderson
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Surveying Earth-like planet Jonna, Lissa Windholm discovers an artifact of the long-lost race called Forerunners. She also encounters fellow human Torben Hebo, who seeks to make a profit. Years later they reunite for a dangerous venture when Hebo claims to know the whereabouts of an operating Forerunner base. 2003.

Exit Wounds RC 57119
by J.A. Jance
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Cochise County, Arizona. Sheriff Joanna Brady, pregnant and running for reelection, investigates the killing of a woman and her seventeen dogs. Meanwhile two television reporters are murdered with similar antique bullets. The case reveals family secrets involving incest and bigamy. Some violence and some strong language. 2003.

Beneath a Southern Sky RC 57150
by Deborah Raney
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
Missionary Daria Camfield returns home, grieving her husband's death. She overcomes her loss and falls in love again—but is shocked to learn that her husband is still alive. Now Daria discovers that her faith in God will help her resolve her dilemma. 2001.

The Murder Room RC 57164
by P.D. James
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
When museum trustee Neville Dupayne votes to close the institution, he is mur-

dered in a gruesome way that mimics one of the exhibits. Commander Adam Dalgliesh, still in love with Emma Lavenham from *Death in Holy Orders (RC 51889)*, investigates. But more deaths occur. Bestseller 2003.

Lord John and the Private Matter RC 57169
by Diana Gabaldon
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
England, 1757. Lord John Grey tries to save his cousin from marrying a man he suspects of having syphilis. Grey gets sidetracked by a murder investigation that quickly reveals treason and scandal involving every level of English society. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2003.

Blood Canticle: The Vampire Chronicles RC 57172
by Anne Rice
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
When Mona Mayfair, a mortal witch near death, arrives at *Blackwood Farm (RC 54945)*, vampire Lestat reluctantly saves her by turning her into a vampire. Drawn into the complex saga of the Mayfair witches' lives, he falls for Dr. Rowan Mayfair. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some violence. Bestseller 2003.

Sorcery and Cecelia; or, The Enchanted Chocolate Pot, Being the Correspondence of Two Young Ladies of Quality regarding Various Magical Scandals in London and the Country RC 57183
by Patricia C. Wrede and
Caroline Stevermer
read by Corrie James
2 cassettes
England, 1817. Two teenage cousins, Cecelia in the country and Kate in London, write to each other about their exploits—which take a sinister turn when they find themselves confronted by evil wizards. For junior and senior high readers. 2003.

Sisters RC 57185
by Anita Richmond Bunkley and others
read by Andrea Frierson-Toney
2 cassettes
Three novellas portray African American women bound by family loyalty but torn by romantic conflicts. In Sandra Kitt's "Homecoming," sisters are divided by the Hollywood success of one and the love interest of the other. Also includes Eva Rutland's "Guess What's Cooking" and Anita Bunkley's "Into Tomorrow." Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1996.

My Heart's Desire RC 57187
by Andrea Kane
read by Corrie James
3 cassettes
Lady Alexandria Cassel wanted only to escape the London season and see her father in Canada when she stowed away on *La Belle Illusion*. But once she's in Canada, her father insists she marry the ship's captain to save her reputation. Later Alexandria discovers she has married Lord Cairnham. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1991.

Acid Row RC 57205
by Minette Walters
read by Vanessa Maroney
2 cassettes
The residents of a bleak housing project in England riot when they discover a pedophile is living among them and a ten-year-old girl is missing. When young Dr. Sophie Morrison is taken hostage by the pedophile, black ex-con Jimmy

James attempts a rescue. Violence and strong language. 2002.

The Cowboy with the Tiffany Gun RC 57209
by Aaron Latham
read by Michael Russoto
3 cassettes
Continues the Arthurian-themed western begun in *Code of the West (RC 56584)*. Seventeen-year-old Percy accompanies his mother, Revelie, to Texas after Revelie's former lover is shot. Percy, ignorant of their affair, seeks to recover the legendary ax his late father pulled from an anvil. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2003.

The Cat Who Wasn't a Dog RC 57210
by Marian Babson
read by Corrie James
2 cassettes
Aging British actresses Trixie Dolan and Evangeline Sinclair accompany Dame Cecile Savoy to the taxidermist to have her beloved dead Pekinese stuffed. They discover the owner murdered and rescue a rare cat. Meanwhile, the housekeeper where they are staying as guests disappears, their hostess's antagonistic stepmother arrives, and Trixie's daughter panics while writing a cookbook. 2003.

The Crusading Wizard: A Wizard in Rhyme, Book 7 RC 57212
by Christopher Stasheff
read by Erik Sandvold
3 cassettes
As barbarian hordes invade the Arabian empire, Queen Alisande of Merovence and Lord Wizard Matt, her husband, receive a call for help from Jerusalem. A fledgling enchantress with the power to turn into a cat accompanies Matt on his journey to the holy city to assess the threat. Sequel to *The Haunted Wizard (RC 57140)*. 2000.

The Feline Wizard: A Wizard in Rhyme, Book 8 RC 57216
by Christopher Stasheff
read by Erik Sandvold
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Crusading Wizard (RC 57212)*, Matt again takes leave of Merovence and Queen Alisande—this time to help find his kidnapped apprentice Princess Balkis, feline sorceress. While Matt investigates her disappearance in Maracanda, Balkis begins a perilous journey home accompanied by her new friend, Anthony. 2000.

A King's Cutter: A Nathaniel Drinkwater Novel, Book 2 RC 57219
by Richard Woodman
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
1792. In this sequel to *An Eye of the Fleet (RC 57218)*, Nathaniel Drinkwater, now married, is asked by the Royal Navy to return to work, this time aboard the cutter *Kestrel*. He uncovers sinister networks of intrigue, deals with mutiny, and acquires a new nemesis—Edouard Santhonax. Some violence and some strong language. 1982.

A Brig of War: A Nathaniel Drinkwater Novel, Book 3 RC 57220
by Richard Woodman
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *A King's Cutter (RC 57219)*, Lieutenant Nathaniel Drinkwater is running routine missions on the brig *Hellebore*, when Admiral Nelson suddenly sends the brig to the Red Sea. Later British operations against the French bring Drinkwater

face to face with two old enemies, Santhonax and Morris. Some violence and some strong language. 1983.

Blacklist RC 57240
by Sara Paretsky
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
While inspecting the vacant family manor for longtime client Darraugh Graham, private investigator V.I. Warshawski stumbles upon the bodies of African American reporter Marcus Whitby and teenager Catherine Bayard. Somehow the families are connected in scandal and deceit going back to the McCarthy era. Bestseller 2003.

Taste of Honey: A Carson Springs Novel, Book 2 RC 57244
by Eileen Goudge
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Forty-eight-year-old divorcée Gerry Fitzgerald reaches out to the daughter she gave up for adoption more than twenty years ago. Family, friends, and lovers stand by as mother and daughter work to establish a relationship. Sequel to *Stranger in Paradise (RC 54224)*. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2002.

The First Mountain Man: The First Mountain Man, Book 1 RC 57247
by William W. Johnstone
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Oregon Trail, 1837. East of the Absaroka Range, the mountain man called Preacher encounters an unfriendly band of Arapaho and their terrified captives. Preacher frees the missionaries—two men and two women—and promises them safety, although toting four greenhorns through hostile territory won't be easy. Precedes *Blood on the Divide (RC 53030)*. 1991.

Five Women RC 57248
by Rona Jaffe
read by Madelyn Buzzard
4 cassettes
1995. Five women meet weekly at the Yellowbird bar in Manhattan. As they share their past relationships with parents, children, and spouses, and their hopes for the future, Billie, Gara, Felicity, Kathryn, and Eve find the courage to begin new lives. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1997.

The Forbidden Tower: A Darkover Novel RC 57254
by Marion Zimmer Bradley
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Tradition and a sacred caste system rule life on Darkover. But two couples—Damon and Ellemir Ridenow, and Andrew Carr and his wife, Ellemir's sister Callista—dare to defy the ancient law. The couples form a powerful, yet unnatural, alliance to resist the forces of Darkover. 1977.

Season of Blessing RC 57255
by Beverly LaHaye and Terri Blackstock
read by Janis Gray
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Times and Seasons (RC 53473)*, the women of Cedar Circle again come together to support each other. When Sylvia discovers she has breast cancer, her friends rally around to give her love and prayers even as they struggle with concerns of their own. 2002.

The Sleuth of Baghdad: The Inspector Chafik Stories RC 57257
by Charles B. Child
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
Fifteen tales of mystery and intrigue set in 1940s Baghdad featuring police inspector Chafik J. Chafik and his sergeant Abdullah. In "The Inspector Is Discreet," they suspect the father of an Englishman's murdered Iraqi mistress did her in to avenge the family's honor. Some violence and some strong language. 2002.

Return of the Mountain Man: The Mountain Man, Book 2 RC 57261
by William W. Johnstone
read by John Polk
1 cassette
Reputed outlaw Smoke Jensen is seeking revenge, and he's got his sights on bandits Potter, Richards, Stratton, and their gunmen. Using the alias Buck West, Smoke heads for Idaho territory and the town of Bury—which is exactly what he intends to do to those responsible for murdering his wife, baby, and other family members. 1986.

Beachcomber RC 57271
by Karen Robards
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
Christy Petrino quits her job when she discovers that the law firm she works for and her fiancé are involved with the mob. Now, with her life at stake, she must deliver a package to Ocracoke Island, North Carolina, where she faces more danger—a serial killer. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 2003.

The Ascent of Rum Doodle RC 57275
by W.E. Bowman
read by Barry Bernson
1 cassette
In a parody of the sport, a hapless group of British mountaineers attempts to climb a 40,000-and-a-half-foot peak in the Himalayas with the help of 30,000 local porters. Introduction by Bill Bryson. 1956.

Claws RC 57276
by Will Weaver
read by Brian Conn
1 cassette
Popular sixteen-year-old Jed is carefree until Laura, a junior at another high school, tells him about the affair his father is having with her mother. Jed's life begins to unravel after the teenagers confront their errant parents and the marriages falter. Some strong language. For senior high readers. 2003.

Preacher: The First Mountain Man RC 57278
by William W. Johnstone
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Long before attaining fame as the mountain man called Preacher, a twelve-year-old boy named Arthur leaves his Ohio family in 1813 for adventures westward. Art makes friends and enemies, lives with the Shawnee, and learns to shoot in the U.S. Army—all along the way to becoming a man and a legend. Some strong language. 2002.

Avenger RC 57280
by Frederick Forsyth
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
New Jersey lawyer Calvin Dexter, a former Vietnam "tunnel rat," becomes a

secret assassin after his daughter's murder. He is hired by billionaire Steve Edmond whose idealistic grandson is killed in Bosnia by Serbian warlord Zoran Zilic. But the CIA doesn't want Zilic dead. Violence and some strong language. 2003.

The Kingmaker RC 57298
by Brian Haig
read by Chuck Benson
3 cassettes
JAG attorney Major Sean Drummond, last seen in *Mortal Allies (RC 54157)*, defends Brigadier General Bill Morrison on a charge of spying for the Russians. Drummond uncovers a conspiracy to frame his client and exposes the real power behind Russia's postwar government. Violence and strong language. 2003.

The Year's Best Fantasy and Horror: Sixteenth Annual Collection RC 57308
edited by Ellen Datlow and Terri Windling
read by L.J. Ganser
8 cassettes in 2 containers
Thirty-nine stories, one essay, and thirteen poems from fairy tales to gothic horror by such authors as James Frenkel, Jeffrey Ford, Terry Dowling, Neil Gaiman, and Elizabeth Hand. Includes an overview of 2002's works in this genre and a list of honorable mentions. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2003.

Due Preparations for the Plague RC 57313
by Janette Turner Hospital
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
Lowell Hawthorne's mother died in the 1987 hijacking of Air France Flight 64, an event haunting him and survivor Samantha Raleigh, now nineteen. Samantha is convinced that American intelligence—and Lowell's agent father—knew about the ill-fated flight, a theory supported by classified documents Lowell discovers after his father's death. Some violence and some strong language. 2003.

Living Large RC 57315
by Rochelle Alers and others
read by Saidah Arrika Ekulona
2 cassettes
Four novellas by bestselling authors featuring plus-size African American women finding love and happiness at turning points in their lives. "Reunion" portrays a curvaceous divorcée who falls for the former class geek, now a gorgeous god. In "Surprise!" fifty-something Elizabeth Howell drops a bombshell on her unsuspecting husband. Explicit descriptions of sex. 2003.

Man of the House RC 57324
by Felicia Mason and others
read by Bill Quinn
2 cassettes
Three contemporary romances featuring African American fathers in love. In Adrianne Byrd's "One in a Million," successful businessman Gregory Woods reunites with a former lover and the nine-year-old son he never knew he had. Also includes Felicia Mason's "The Dreamers" and Doris Johnson's "Father at Heart." Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2003.

His Mother's Son RC 57331
by Cai Emmons
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Jana changes her identity after her brother commits a horrific crime and is incarcerated. Years later, Jana—now a

physician—is alarmed by her young son's violent tendencies and becomes overly strict, alienating her husband and forcing her to relive the past. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2003.

Once More with Feeling RC 57333
by Emilie Richards
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
Affluent housewife Elisabeth is involved in an automobile accident and wakes up in the body of a sexy television celebrity. With her own memories and Gypsy's attitude, Elisabeth gets a second chance at life—and discovers the importance of what she's left behind. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1996.

Love RC 57353
by Toni Morrison
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Even after the death of seaside resort owner Bill Cosey, his women—widow Heed, granddaughter Christine, and mistress Celestial—continue their feuds. These members of the town's African American former elite reminisce about the man they loved and hated. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2003.

Star Wars: The New Jedi Order; the Unifying Force RC 57358
by James Luceno
read by Chuck Benson
4 cassettes
With Luke, Mara, and their crew still off searching for the living world of Zonama Sekot, Han and Leia volunteer for a critical rescue mission. Meanwhile, discontent breeds revolt among the Yuuzhan Vong. Both sides prepare for the final epic battle that will decide the fate of the universe. 2003.

The Future Scrolls RC 57364
by Fern Michaels
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Alexander Mendeneres will do anything to protect some scrolls entrusted to his Argentinean family centuries ago. After his wife flees to New York with the treasure, Mendeneres hopes to find her by using their ten-year-old daughter, Maria, as bait. Befriending Maria, Manhattan editor Dani Arnold is drawn into dangerous activities and unexpected romance. Bestseller 2001.

Bad Chemistry RC 57387
by Nora Kelly
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Vancouver professor Gillian Adams takes a sabbatical and travels to Cambridge, England, to meet her boyfriend, Scotland Yard detective Edward Gisborne. Their vacation plans are derailed while they solve a dual murder that is shrouded by professional rivalries, clandestine relationships, and feminist overtones. Some violence. 1993.

The Beast RC 57388
by Walter Dean Myers
read by Christopher Walker
1 cassette
When sixteen-year-old "Spoon" receives a scholarship to a New England prep school, he leaves Harlem and his girlfriend Gabi behind. Returning home at Christmastime, he discovers Gabi is a drug addict and he is no longer in step with street life. Some strong language. For senior high readers. 2003.

Hot Pursuit RC 57397
by Nora Kelly
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Professor Gillian Adams quit her job and moved to London to be with her lover, Edward, a policeman. She reconnects with her old friend Charlotte, whose actress daughter is being stalked by a perverted fan. When Gillian discovers Charlotte's body, she becomes involved in a murder investigation. Some strong language. 2002.

She Went All the Way RC 57433
by Meggin Cabot
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Action hero Jack Townsend and screenwriter Louise "Lou" Calabrese are stranded in the Alaskan wilderness after their helicopter pilot crashes while trying to kill them. Despite their mutual dislike, they work together to survive the elements and hired killers—and fall in love. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some violence. 2002.

Tears of the Giraffe RC 57445
by Alexander McCall Smith
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Mma Ramotswe of *The Number One Ladies' Detective Agency (RC 55503)* in Botswana takes on more cases involving missing people, cheating spouses, and thieves. She also contends with her foster children and her fiancé. 2000.

Castle Rouge RC 57479
by Carole Nelson Douglas
read by Lisette Lecat
4 cassettes
After Jack the Ripper—whom detective Irene Adler (and Sherlock Holmes) helped to capture in Paris—escapes from custody, Irene's husband and her friend Nell vanish. With help from an American prostitute and others, Irene travels throughout Europe to rescue her loved ones and corner her nemesis. Sequel to *Chapel Noir (RC 57499)*. Some violence. 2002.

Lemon Meringue Pie Murder: A Hannah Swensen Mystery RC 57480
by Joanne Fluke
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Bakery owner Hannah Swensen of Lake Eden, Minnesota—last seen in *Blueberry Muffin Murder (RC 55213)*—enlists the help of two sometime boyfriends when middle-aged flirt Rhonda Scharf is murdered after consuming one of Hannah's pies. As Hannah investigates, her family urges her to settle down. Includes recipes. 2003.

A Gathering Place: A Cape Light Novel, Book 3 RC 57487
by Thomas Kinkade and Katherine Spencer
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Home Song (RC 56726)*, residents of Cape Light, Massachusetts, confront life's problems. Mayor Emily still fears Dan will leave town. Her daughter Sara develops a shaky relationship with Luke. Charlie and Lucy have marital problems, Digger suffers memory loss, and Reverend Ben experiences a crisis of faith. 2003.

Brick Lane RC 57490
by Monica Ali
read by Gabriella Cavallero
3 cassettes
Nazneen, an eighteen-year-old girl from a small Bangladesh village, is wed to much older Chanu in an arranged mar-

riage and moves to London where her Muslim religious, social, and moral traditions clash with Western culture. Transformed by the experience, she embraces new freedoms and examines the role of fate in her life. 2003.

The McCone Files RC 57496
by Marcia Muller
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Fifteen investigative case files of San Francisco private detective Sharon McCone trace her two decades at the All Souls Legal Cooperative, from the beginning of her career there to her eventual relocation of the business to a swanky new office. Some violence and some strong language. 1995.

Bold Sons of Erin RC 57497
by Owen Parry
read by Nick Sullivan
3 cassettes
At President Lincoln's request, Major Abel Jones—last seen in *Honor's Kingdom (RC 57524)*—returns home to Pennsylvania in 1862 to inspect the grave of a Union general's Irish assassin. When the exhumation reveals the body of a slain young woman instead, Abel investigates both murders. Some violence and some strong language. 2003.

Hunting in Harlem RC 57500
by Mat Johnson
read by Bill Quinn
2 cassettes
Bobby, Cedric, and Horus join Horizon Realty's "Second Chance Program" to rehabilitate ex-cons and revitalize Harlem by remodeling dilapidated brownstones for resale to African American professionals. But after troublesome tenants begin to die in accidents, crime reporter Piper Goines becomes suspicious of Horizon and investigates. Strong language and some violence. 2003.

Shifting Calder Wind: Calder Saga, Volume 7 RC 57507
by Janet Dailey
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Texas. When Chase Calder regains consciousness, he has amnesia but is sure someone tried to kill him. Chase and his rescuer, Laredo Smith, decide to let everyone except Chase's daughter-in-law, Jessy, think he is dead while they search for the shooter. Sequel to *Green Calder Grass (RC 54999)*. Some strong language. 2003.

A Time to Embrace: A Story of Hope, Healing, and Abundant Life RC 57509
by Karen Kingsbury
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *A Time to Dance (RC 57529)*, John and Abby Reynolds are back together and believe they can handle anything. However, their faith will be greatly tested as John struggles in his coaching job, Nicole and Matt have family problems, and tragedy strikes. 2002.

Naughty or Nice RC 57510
by Eric Jerome Dickey
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Three Los Angeles sisters—Frankie, Livvy, and Tommie—all suffer from miserable love lives as the holiday season approaches. Frankie turns to the Internet, Livvy has an affair to punish her cheating husband, and Tommie recovers from an abusive relationship. Explicit descriptions of sex and strong language. 2003.

Something to Celebrate RC 57518
by Felicia Mason and others
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
Three stories of holiday romance by African American authors. As the New Year approaches in Brenda Jackson's "Truly Everlasting," Trask and Felicia discover they are meant for each other. Others find love in "The First Noel" by Felicia Mason and Margie Walker's "Kwanzaa Kupendi." Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1999.

If I Could RC 57519
by Donna Hill
read by Lizan Mitchell
2 cassettes
Three years after divorcing her emotionally unsatisfying husband, forty-year-old African American journalist Regina Everette walks away from a promising career. Unemployed and unattached, Regina is determined to live and love on her own terms despite having two teenage children to support. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2000.

Stone Garden RC 57520
by Molly Moynahan
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Seventeen-year-old prep-school student Alice McGuire spends senior year mourning the murder of her best friend, Matthew Swan. When she teaches poetry to hard-core prison inmates, she learns about life beyond her sheltered environment. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 2003.

McNally's Alibi: An Archy McNally Novel by Vincent Lardo RC 57525
by Vincent Lardo
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Hunting for the manuscript of Truman Capote's *Answered Prayers*, Archy McNally becomes involved in a sting operation in which he is a primary murder suspect. Unravelling the mystery, McNally encounters a scandal comprising rich eccentrics, shady antiques dealers, and tangled relationships. 2002.

Return to Oak Valley RC 57526
by Shirlee Busbee
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
After her brother's apparent suicide, Shelly Granger returns to the family ranch, old friends, and betrayed love in the California hometown she abandoned seventeen years earlier. While coping with her grief, she discovers the unexpected truth behind shocking family secrets. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2002.

Getting Mother's Body RC 57528
by Suzan-Lori Parks
read by Saidah Arrika Ekulona
2 cassettes
1960s. African American Billy Beede's wild mama is rumored to be buried with a trove of jewels in an Arizona grave now threatened by development. Billy —sixteen, pregnant, and broke—steals a truck and heads west from Texas with her uncle and one-legged aunt to find the treasure. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 2003.

A Time to Dance RC 57529
by Karen Kingsbury
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
John and Abby Reynolds are about to inform their children that their twenty-one-year marriage is over when their daughter announces her engagement. They decide to remain silent until after Nicole's wedding. Yet neither can ignore God's voice encouraging them to rekindle their love. Prequel to *A Time to Embrace (RC 57509)*. 2001.

Key of Light: Key Trilogy, Book 1 RC 57639
by Nora Roberts
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
At a mysterious cocktail party, art gallery manager Malory Price with Dana Steele and Zoe McCourt attempts to unravel an ancient legend. Dana's brother, Flynn, helps Malory find the first key. Precedes *Key of Knowledge (RC 57678)*. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2003.

Mates, Dates, and Inflatable Bras RC 57640
by Cathy Hopkins
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Londoners Lucy, Izzie, and Nesta are best friends but fourteen-year-old Lucy feels she looks young for her age and longs to grow up. Then after she falls in love at first sight she begins having different problems. For junior and senior high readers. 2001.

Pompeii RC 57646
by Robert Harris
read by Gordon Gould
2 cassettes
Italy, A.D. 79. Pliny the Elder sends engineer Marcus Attilius Primus to Pompeii to investigate a water flow problem. Attilius examines the aqueduct, uncovers an embezzlement scheme, discovers the imminent eruption of the volcano Vesuvius, and attempts to rescue his new love. Some violence and some strong language. Bestseller 2003.

Almost a Wife RC 57651
by Eva Rutland
read by Lindsay Ellison
1 cassette
Lisa Reynolds, just fired as a well-paid marketing director, doesn't expect problems finding a new high-status job. Yet several months later she is cleaning houses. But when she begins working for Tray Kingsley, she finds herself caring deeply for the children in his care, and for him. 2000.

Monsieur Pamplemousse Omnibus, Volume 1 RC 57661
by Michael Bond
read by Robert Blumenfeld
3 cassettes
Three novels featuring a retired French police inspector turned food critic and his bloodhound, Pommes Frites. While tasting the best each restaurant has to offer, the critic also uncovers mayhem and murder in *Monsieur Pamplemousse, Monsieur Pamplemousse and the Secret Mission,* and *Monsieur Pamplemousse on the Spot.* 1983.

Catch Me RC 57668
by A.J. Holt
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Before she entered the witness protection program, rogue FBI agent and computer expert Jay Fletcher, last seen in *Watch Me (RC 42014)*, helped capture serial killer Billy Bones. Now escaped, Billy taunts Jay and U.S. marshal Jack Dane with a vengeful, bloody murder spree. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1999.

Mates, Dates, and Cosmic Kisses RC 57672
by Cathy Hopkins
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Londoners Lucy, Izzie, and Nesta are best friends but when Izzie meets a fabulous new boy she refuses to leave the house in case he calls. Her friends and mum try persuading her to get on with her life, yet she resists. For junior and senior high readers. 2001.

Key of Knowledge: Key Trilogy, Book 2 RC 57678
by Nora Roberts
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
Sequel to *Key of Light (RC 57639)*. Malory, Zoe, and Dana hold keys to the mystical Box of Souls ending sorcerer Kane's curse. Malory opened the first box. Dana must unlock the second. Clues rest in the past, present, and future. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2003.

Mates, Dates, and Designer Divas RC 57680
by Cathy Hopkins
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
When Jamaican Italian Nesta of London begins dating a wealthy boy, she pretends to be well-off even though her family has hit hard times. She also risks alienating her friends Izzie and Lucy by withholding the truth. For junior and senior high readers. 2001.

R Is for Ricochet RC 58104
by Sue Grafton
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Convicted embezzler Reba Lafferty's dying father hires P.I. Kinsey Millhone to keep Reba out of trouble upon her release from prison. But the wealthy thirty-two-year-old party girl resumes her previous lifestyle and involves Kinsey in burglary, revenge, and eventually murder. Strong language and some violence. Bestseller 2004.

Books for Children

These books were recently sent to cooperating libraries. Cassette books, labeled with the code RC, play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Cassettes Nonfiction

Dealing with Terminal Illness in the Family RC 56373
by Heather Lehr Wagner
read by Miriam Wagner
1 cassette
Information to help teenagers cope with emotional issues that arise when a parent, sibling, or grandparent is diagnosed with an incurable disease. Discusses the various stages of grief felt by those facing the death of family members and the changes in family life that occur. For grades 6-9. 2002.

The Electoral College RC 56385
by Martha S. Hewson
read by Peter Lavezzoli
1 cassette
Discusses the electoral college procedure for choosing U.S. presidents that gives each state the same number of votes as the number of representatives and senators it sends to Congress. Reviews conflicts arising during the disputed elections of 1876, 1888, and especially 2000. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2002.

How Angel Peterson Got His Name and Other Outrageous Tales about Extreme Sports RC 56528
by Gary Paulsen
read by Michael Kramer
1 cassette
Author of *Hatchet (RC 30535)* and other survival adventures recalls his own escapades at age twelve. Describes how he attempted to shoot a twelve-foot waterfall in a barrel, how a friend on skis was pulled by a car at high speed, and other daredevil feats. For grades 5-8. 2003.

A Christmas Treasury: Very Merry Stories and Poems RC 56658
compiled by Kevin Hawkes
read by Connie Crawford
1 cassette
An anthology that includes a selection from *Wind in the Willows (RC 24592)* depicting Mole's hospitality and Rat's resourcefulness; "Christmas at the Hollow Tree Inn," a story featuring a dog who plays Santa Claus; two traditional carols; and Clement Moore's poem "A Visit from St. Nicholas." For grades 3-6 and older readers. 2001.

One More Valley, One More Hill: The Story of Aunt Clara Brown RC 57201
by Linda Lowery
read by Andrea Frierson-Toney
1 cassette
Biography of an intrepid woman born into the hardships of slavery in Virginia. When granted freedom at age fifty-six, she moved westward in search of her daughter. Aunt Clara Brown became a pioneer and entrepreneur, working to help former slaves start new lives in Colorado. For grades 5-8. 2002.

The Greatest Sports Stories Never Told RC 57285
by Bruce Nash and Allan Zullo
read by Alec Volz
1 cassette
Thirty-four accounts of triumphant wins against great odds and some amazing game finishes. In "Blind Faith," a big-league baseball player hits home runs to encourage a Little Leaguer who lost his

sight when struck by lightning. For grades 4-7. 1993.

An American Plague: The True and Terrifying Story of the Yellow-Fever Epidemic of 1793 RC 57418
by Jim Murphy
read by Mary Kane
1 cassette
Describes the horrific events in Philadelphia in 1793 when citywide illness prevented Congress from convening. Thousands of people were dying, many unattended, and physicians of the time were unsure of the cause or treatment of the yellow-fever outbreak. For grades 6-9. 2003.

The Book of Rock Stars: Twenty-four Musical Icons That Shine through History RC 57423
by Kathleen Krull
read by Coleen Delany
1 cassette
Two dozen minibiographies of rock music legends. Includes the Beatles, Elvis Presley, Bob Marley, Eric Clapton, Bruce Springsteen, and Kurt Cobain, among others. For grades 3-6. 2003.

America's Great Disasters RC 57432
by Martin W. Sandler
read by Alec Volz
1 cassette
Examines causes and effects of some historic disasters in the United States such as the 1888 "Blizzard of '88"; the 1889 Johnstown, Pennsylvania, flood; the 1900 Galveston hurricane; and the 1918 flu epidemic among others. For grades 4-7. 2003.

Space Flight: Crossing the Last Frontier RC 57463
by Jason Richie
read by Butch Hoover
1 cassette
Profiles seven engineers and scientists who made space flight possible. In describing important projects, the author includes Robert Goddard and the liquid-fuel rocket, William Pickering and planetary probes, and Wernher von Braun and the moon program. For grades 5-8. 2002.

Christmas around the World, Volume 2 RC 57498
by Emily Kelley
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
This companion to *Christmas around the World (RC 31285)* describes holiday celebrations in eight countries—Mexico, Ethiopia, China, Germany, Lebanon, Sweden, Australia, and Russia—most of which were not included in the earlier volume. Also contains jokes, tongue twisters, and a recipe. Beginning chapter book. For grades 2-4. 2004.

The Case of the Monkeys That Fell from the Trees and Other Mysteries in Tropical Nature RC 57502
by Susan E. Quinlan
read by Barbara Caruso
1 cassette
Wildlife biologist describes the characteristics of tropic forests and the species that inhabit them. Explains how scientists have researched ecological problems and found answers by using the "scientific method." Includes case studies of howling monkeys and poison-dart frogs. For grades 5-8. 2003.

Cassettes Fiction

Evvy's Civil War RC 55162
by Miriam Brenaman
read by Cyn Delafield
2 cassettes
Fourteen-year-old Evvy chafes at the customs confining Virginia women and slaves. During the Civil War, with her mother unwell and her father in the Confederate army, Evvy's pluck and values help her to run the family plantation as well as aid slaves in the Underground Railway. Some strong language. For grades 6-9. 2002.

The Same Stuff as Stars RC 55611
by Katherine Paterson
read by Peggy Gilleland
2 cassettes
Angel is not yet twelve when her mother abandons her and her younger brother, Bernie, at their great-grandmother's rundown farmhouse in Vermont. Angel's bleak existence is brightened by a mystery man with a telescope who lives in a nearby trailer and teaches her about stars. Some strong language. For grades 6-9. 2002.

I Was a Third Grade Spy RC 56007
by Mary Jane Auch
read by Gary Roan
1 cassette
Following *I Was a Third Grade Science Project (RC 46918)*, Brian's dog Arful can now speak. Brian and his friends Josh and Dougie use Arful to find out what Emily and the girls will be doing for the school talent show. For grades 2-4. 2001.

Runt RC 56009
by Marion Dane Bauer
read by Gary Roan
1 cassette
Runt, the smallest wolf cub in the litter, has to prove his usefulness to his father, King, and the rest of the pack. But Runt can't seem to do anything right—until one day he warns his father of trouble. For grades 3-6. 2002.

High Tide in Hawaii: Magic Tree House, Book 28 RC 56011
by Mary Pope Osborne
read by Gillian Green
1 cassette
When Jack and Annie find a secret rhyme inside the book *A Visit to Old Hawaii* they are off on another adventure. They experience a tsunami, discover a special kind of ship, and meet a brother and sister who teach them surfing. For grades 2-4. 2003.

Anne of Green Gables RC 56114
by Lucy Maud Montgomery
read by Barbara Rappaport
2 cassettes
Anne, an eleven-year-old orphan, is sent by mistake to live with a lonely, middle-aged brother and sister on a Prince Edward Island farm in Canada. There she proceeds to make an indelible impression on everyone around her. Complete and unabridged text. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1908.

The Sands of Time: A Hermux Tantamoq Adventure RC 56171
by Michael Hoeye
read by Bruce Nelson
2 cassettes
Despite fierce opposition from mouse supremacists and other residents of Pinchester, three mice team up with an old chipmunk to prove that there existed,

long before the time of mice, a Cat Kingdom. Sequel to *Time Stops for No Mouse (RC 54785)*. For grades 6-9. 2002.

A Face First RC 56357
by Priscilla Cummings
read by Carolyn Hecker
1 cassette
After sixth-grader Kelley suffers severe face and body burns in a car accident, she doesn't want any contact with her friends or classmates, believing she will never look "normal" again. But her big sister, her mother, and a caring community help Kelley overcome her fears and isolation. For grades 5-8. 2001.

The Rope Trick RC 56361
by Lloyd Alexander
read by Peg Gilleland
1 cassette
Although a talented magician, Lidi desires to master the elusive rope trick. She sets out across Renaissance Italy seeking the legendary Ferramondo—the one magician who can perform it. But before she can find him, her orphaned companion, Daniella, is kidnapped. For grades 4-7. 2002.

Hannah, Divided RC 56374
by Adele Griffin
read by Mimi Bederman
1 cassette
Rural Pennsylvania, 1934. Thirteen-year-old Hannah cannot read, but she loves to count and calculate in her head, like the number of minutes she's been alive. This mathematical gift leads Hannah to an exclusive Philadelphia girls' school to prepare for a scholarship test and a big decision. For grades 4-7. 2002.

Parents Wanted RC 57196
by George Harrar
read by Steven Carpenter
1 cassette
Twelve-year-old Andrew Fleck wants to be adopted by Jeff and Laurie Sizeracy. But Andy has ADD (attention deficit disorder) and lots of problems due to impulsive behavior. After falsely accusing Jeff of inappropriate touching, Andy almost loses his chance for a permanent home—until he finally convinces authorities that he lied. For grades 6-9. 2001.

The World before This One: A Novel Told in Legend RC 57206
by Rafe Martin
read by Steven Carpenter
1 cassette
Considered outcasts from their Seneca tribe, Crow and his grandmother depend on Crow's survival skills to eat. But he stops hunting when he finds a talking stone that tells him long-ago stories about the creation of the world. For grades 4-7. 2002.

The Goblin Wood RC 57268
by Hilari Bell
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Makenna, a young hedgewitch, organizes an army of clever goblins to fight against the ruling human hierarchy, who are trying to rid the land of all magical creatures. Tobin, an idealistic knight, is sent to entrap her. For grades 6-9. 2003.

Slaves of the Mastery: An Adventure; the Wind on Fire, Book 2 RC 57317
by William Nicholson
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
After five years of enjoying the freedom attained in *The Wind Singer (RC 57290)*,

Aramanth is unprepared for attack. As flaming arrows destroy their city, fifteen-year-old twins Bowman and Kestrel are separated. They discover their individual special powers and reunite to liberate their people yet again. Some violence. For grades 6-9. 2001.

Firesong: An Adventure; the Wind on Fire, Book 3 RC 57337
by William Nicholson
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Bowman and Kestrel, the twin brother and sister who saved their people from bondage in *Slaves of the Mastery (RC 57317)*, now follow their prophetess mother's lead to a promised land. Their group encounters insects, kidnappers, an enchanted valley, and self-doubt on their journey. For grades 6-9. 2002.

The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn RC 57349
by Mark Twain
read by Nick Sullivan
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Tom Sawyer's friend young Huck Finn explains the reasons he is running away from home and recounts his exploits floating down the Mississippi River on a raft with Jim, an escaped slave. Companion to *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer (RC 53084)*. Some strong language. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1884.

Cuba Fifteen RC 57382
by Nancy Osa
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
Half-Cuban and half-Polish Violet Paz, who just turned fifteen in Chicago, reluctantly goes along with her Cuban grandmother's wish to have a traditional Latin American quinceañero (festivity) to celebrate her coming-of-age. As the family prepares for the event, Violet gradually begins to appreciate her heritage. For grades 6-9. 2003.

The River between Us RC 57400
by Richard Peck
read by Annie Wauters
1 cassette
Illinois, 1861. Tilly Pruitt's mother accepts two mysterious young women from New Orleans, Delphine and Calinda, as boarders in the early Civil War days. Fifteen-year-old Tilly finds them fascinating, but townspeople think they are Confederate spies. Their secrets emerge after Tilly's brother, a Union army soldier, is wounded. For grades 6-9. 2003.

Get Ready for Gabí! A Crazy Mixed-Up Spanglish Day RC 57402
by Marisa Montes
read by Kimberly Schraf
1 cassette
In California, third-grader Maritza Gabriela Morales Mercado usually speaks Spanish at home and English at school, but she mixes them up when she is upset. Class bully Johnny Wiley teases her about that and about her name, calling her Maritza Pizza. Furious, Gabí comes up with a plan. For grades 3-6. 2003.

The Ballad of Sir Dinadan RC 57431
by Gerald Morris
read by Brian Conn
2 cassettes
Although more musically than athletically inclined, eighteen-year-old Dinadan is forced by his father to become a knight. He sets out on his adventures and winds up involved in older brother Sir Tristram's sad love affair with Iseult. For grades 6-9. 2003.

Starting with Alice RC 57437
by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Motherless eight-year-old Alice McKinley moves from Chicago to Maryland with her father and older brother, Lester. While she has trouble at first fitting into her new third grade class, Alice gradually makes friends with Rosalind and Sara and gets a new kitten. For grades 3-6. 2002.

Alice in Blunderland RC 57438
by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Following *Starting with Alice (RC 57437)* Alice McKinley is now in fourth grade and makes a new effort to get along with her teasing older brother, Lester. She also tries not to do embarrassing things at school, such as singing. For grades 3-6. 2003.

Kaiulani: The People's Princess RC 57440
by Ellen Emerson White
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
Princess Kaiulani begins her diary in 1889 in Oahu as she learns her royal duties in preparation for leading the Hawaiian people. At thirteen she is sent to England to study. Meanwhile rebel Americans conspire to make the islands their own. For grades 5-8. 2001.

The Girls Take Over RC 57456
by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
read by John Polk
1 cassette
The Hatford brothers and the Malloy sisters of West Virginia continue their rivalry. This time they compete in baseball, the spelling bee, and a school reading project. But together they nab some computer thieves. For grades 3-6. 2002.

Casting the Gods Adrift: A Tale of Ancient Egypt RC 57471
by Geraldine McCaughrean
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
In ancient Egypt, Tutmose, a skillful carver, and Ibrim, his almost blind musical brother, enjoy living at Pharaoh Akhenaten's court. But when their father, Harkhuf, plots to kill the pharaoh for abandoning the traditional gods, Tutmose faces difficult decisions. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Attack of Apollyon: Left Behind—The Kids, Book 19 RC 57475
by Jerry B. Jenkins and Tim LaHaye
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Darkening Skies (RC 55386)*, freezing temperatures are enveloping the world. As Judd and Lionel decide their next move, Vicki brings the kids together in the schoolhouse. Then a strange star falls to earth and suddenly there are locusts everywhere. For grades 5-8. 2002.

Secrets of New Babylon: Left Behind—The Kids, Book 21 RC 57476
by Jerry B. Jenkins and Tim LaHaye
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
In this sequel to *A Dangerous Plan (RC 57477)* Vicki and her followers, discovered by members of the Global Community, fear being arrested. Judd, Lionel, and Sam have traveled to New Babylon, accompanied by Nada, to visit Judd's dangerously ill friend, Pavel. For grades 5-8. 2002.

A Dangerous Plan: Left Behind—The Kids, Book 20 RC 57477
by Jerry B. Jenkins and Tim LaHaye
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Attack of Apollyon (RC 57475)*, the Young Trib Force continues to battle the locusts. Sam tries once more to convert his father, and Vicki is offered an exciting opportunity. The entire force continues to risk their lives to encourage more believers. For grades 5-8. 2002.

Escape from New Babylon: Left Behind—The Kids, Book 22 RC 57483
by Jerry B. Jenkins and Tim LaHaye
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Secrets of New Babylon (RC 57476)* Vicki returns to the schoolhouse with newcomer Chris Traickin, although she wonders if he can be trusted. In New Babylon, Judd and Nada discover that Nada's brother is still alive. For grades 5-8. 2002.

Uplink from the Underground: Left Behind—The Kids, Book 24 RC 57488
by Jerry B. Jenkins and Tim LaHaye
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Horsemen of Terror (RC 57484)*, the horsemen are causing havoc and killing people across the world. The kids in the schoolhouse have developed a bold plan to help spread the word. Meanwhile Judd is faced with the task of stopping an assassination attempt. For grades 5-8. 2002.

Death at the Gala: Left Behind—The Kids, Book 25 RC 57489
by Jerry B. Jenkins and Tim LaHaye
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
A Global Community raid forces the kids to abandon their Illinois schoolhouse hideout, but Vicki makes one more broadcast to her satellite community. In Israel, Judd and Lionel watch as Eli and Moishe are executed. Then a miracle occurs. Sequel to *Uplink from the Underground (RC 57488)*. For grades 5-8. 2003.

Stop the Train! RC 57492
by Geraldine McCaughrean
read by Tere Mele
2 cassettes
Cissy Sissney and her parents join other homesteaders and head for the Oklahoma territories. In Florence they discover the town hasn't been built yet, so they set to work. When the railroad threatens to bypass the town, everyone schemes to force the railroad to schedule stops there. For grades 5-8. 2001.

The Beast Arises: Left Behind—The Kids, Book 26 RC 57493
by Jerry B. Jenkins and Tim LaHaye
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
After rescuing singer Z-Van, Judd and Lionel are promised a ride home. But Z-Van, a follower of Nicolae Carpathia, detours to Israel where Carpathia rises from the dead. In another hiding place, Vicki continues her warnings of events ahead. Sequel to *Death at the Gala (RC 57489)*. For grades 5-8. 2003.

Wildfire! Left Behind—The Kids, Book 27 RC 57494
by Jerry B. Jenkins and Tim LaHaye
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
Vicki and the kids in Wisconsin seek a new hiding place. In Illinois Natalie Bishop, a Morale Monitor, works to free prisoners of the Global Community. In New Babylon Lionel and Judd hope singer Z-Van will see behind the Antichrist. Sequel to *The Beast Arises (RC 57493)*. For grades 5-8. 2003.

The Mark of the Beast: Left Behind—The Kids, Book 28 RC 57503
by Jerry B. Jenkins and Tim LaHaye
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
Thanks to Natalie's quick thinking, Vicki and others escape the Global Community's latest capture attempt but remain in danger. In New Babylon Judd and Lionel find a new believer. The time has come for prisoners to receive Carpathia's mark of the beast. Sequel to *Wildfire! (RC 57494)*. For grades 5-8. 2003.

Breakout! Left Behind—The Kids, Book 29 RC 57504
by Jerry B. Jenkins and Tim LaHaye
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
Vicki and other Trib members risk their lives to save believers held by the Global Community. Z-Van receives Carpathia's loyalty mark. But the entire Trib Force faces extreme danger by refusing to accept that mark. Sequel to *The Mark of the Beast (RC 57503)*. For grades 5-8. 2003.

Murder in the Holy Place: Left Behind—The Kids, Book 30 RC 57513
by Jerry B. Jenkins and Tim LaHaye
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
After getting kicked off Z-Van's plane, Judd and Lionel find a ride to Jerusalem where Carpathia is preparing another deadly power display. Back in the States, Vicki decides to help a new believer, thrusting the kids into an unexpected adventure. Sequel to *Breakout! (RC 57504)*. For grades 5-8. 2003.

Escape to Masada: Left Behind—The Kids, Book 31 RC 57514
by Jerry B. Jenkins and Tim LaHaye
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
As horrified thousands watch, Nicolae Carpathia commits murder in the temple. Vicki and her friends try to rescue a Morale Monitor from the Global Community. Around the world Carpathia's followers are developing sores on their bodies. Sequel to *Murder in the Holy Place (RC 57513)*. For grades 5-8. 2003.

War of the Dragon: Left Behind—The Kids, Book 32 RC 57530
by Jerry B. Jenkins and Tim LaHaye
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
Lionel's and Judd's hopes for heading home are delayed when Z-Van's plane is destroyed. They face further danger after Z-Van writes songs about them. In Wisconsin Vicki embarks on another dangerous mission. The grace period for getting Carpathia's mark expires. Sequel to *Escape to Masada (RC 57514)*. For grades 5-8. 2003.

Run, Boy, Run RC 57664
by Uri Orlev
read by Frank Coffee
1 cassette
Eight-year-old Srulik escapes from Warsaw's Jewish ghetto and survives the rest of the war in Nazi-occupied Poland by pretending to be a Christian. After the war, having lost an arm, he reaffirms his original faith. Some violence. For grades 6-9. 2003.

Foreign Language Books

The following cassette titles are available in the languages designated.

Spanish

Una Sencilla Melodía Habanera (A Simple Habana Melody) RC 56962
por Oscar Hijuelos
leído por Juan Ramírez
3 cassettes
Corre el año 1947, e Israel Levis, un compositor cubano regresa a Cuba después de haber sido equivocadamente encarcelado por judío durante la ocupación nazista de Francia. Ya viejo y cambiado, Levis llega a La Habana arrollado en las memorias nostálgicas de su vida pasada y, sobre todo, de su amor no correspondido por la hechizante Rita Valladares, una cantante para quien Levis había escrito su canción más famosa. Algunas descripciones explícitas de índole sexual y algunas descripciones de violencia. (1947. Aging Cuban composer Israel Levis, although mistaken for a Jew and imprisoned by Nazis occupying Paris, has survived the Holocaust. He makes a nostalgic Havana homecoming—a changed man with fond memories of prewar life and of his impossible love for singer Rita Valladares. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some violence.) 2002.

Crónica de una Muerte Anunciada (Chronicle of a Death Foretold) RC 56964
por Gabriel García Márquez
leído por Juan Ramírez
1 cassette
En un pequeño pueblo sudamericano un hombre es asesinado por haber deshonrado a una mujer antes de la boda de ella. Veintisiete años más tarde un hombre del pueblo vuelve a narrar la historia del crimen, precipitándose hacia una desconcertante conclusión: que los asesinos no eran sino el pueblo entero. Lenguaje injurioso. (In a small South American village a merchant is murdered for seducing a bride before her wedding. Twenty-seven years later, the narrator gradually reconstructs events, revealing with mounting horror the day that a whole community shared complicity for a man's death. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language.) 1981.

Winny de Puh (Winnie the Pooh) RC 56966
por A.A. Milne
leído por María Pino
1 cassette
Winny de Puh es un osito simpático que siempre se mete en líos sin querer. Al visitar a Conejo, Puh come demasiado y se engorda tanto que no puede salir por

el agujero de la conejera. Tiene que permanecerse allí por una semana hasta adelgazarse de nuevo. Para grados 2 a 4. (Winnie-the-Pooh is a lovable little bear who is always getting himself into trouble. On a visit to Rabbit, greedy Pooh eats so much that he gets stuck in Rabbit's hole and has to stay there for a week until he gets thin again! For grades 2-4.) 1985.

Magazines on Cassette

For a free subscription to these magazines, contact your cooperating library.

American Heritage (8 issues)
Analog Science Fiction and Fact (11 issues)
Asimov's Science Fiction (11 issues)
The Atlantic Monthly (11 issues; combined issue July–August)
Das Beste aus *Reader's Digest* (German; 12 issues)
Bon Appétit (monthly)
Buenhogar (Spanish; monthly)
Choice Magazine Listening (on loan from cooperating libraries, bimonthly)
Consumer Reports (monthly)
Contemporary Sound Track: A Review of Pop, Jazz, Rock, and Country (bimonthly)
Cricket (for children, on one cassette with **National Geographic Kids,** monthly)
Diabetes Forecast (monthly)
Discover (monthly)
Ebony (monthly)
Ellery Queen's Mystery Magazine (11 issues)
Foreign Affairs (6 issues)
Good Housekeeping (monthly plus special issues)
Health and Nutrition Newsletters (includes **Dr. Andrew Weil's Self Healing, The Johns Hopkins Medical Letter—Health after Fifty, Mayo Clinic Health Letter,** and **Nutrition Action Healthletter,** monthly)
Horticulture (6 issues)
Journal Français (French; monthly)
Magazine of the Month (monthly)
Money (monthly plus special issues)
The Musical Mainstream (quarterly)
The Nation (47 issues)
National Geographic (monthly)
National Geographic Kids (for children and teens, on one cassette with **Cricket,** monthly)
National Review (25 issues)
The *New York Times* Book Review (weekly)
Outdoor Life (10 issues; combined issues June–July, December–January)
People Weekly (weekly plus special issues)
QST (monthly)
Quarterly Music Magazine (quarterly)
Selecciones del *Reader's Digest* (Spanish; monthly)
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Smart Computing (monthly)
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Spider: The Magazine for Children (monthly)
Sports Illustrated (weekly plus special issues)
Sports Illustrated for Kids (monthly)
Talking Book Topics (bimonthly, also contains selections from NLS *News* irregularly)
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☐ RC 56904	C070.56904	☐ RC 57247	C070.57247
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☐ RC 56907	C070.56907	☐ RC 57254	C070.57254
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Address _____

City _____

State _____ ZIP _____

Telephone ( ) _____
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1. Complete order form and enclose in an envelope.
2. Do not seal envelope. Tuck the flap in.
3. Address envelope to your cooperating talking-book library.
4. In place of stamp, write "Free Matter for the Blind or Handicapped."

Cassettes Fiction (continued)

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☐ RC 57387	C070.57387
☐ RC 57388	C070.57388
☐ RC 57397	C070.57397
☐ RC 57433	C070.57433
☐ RC 57445	C070.57445
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☐ RC 57480	C070.57480
☐ RC 57487	C070.57487
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☐ RC 57496	C070.57496
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Children–Order Form

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Cassettes Nonfiction

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☐ RC 56528	C070.56528
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☐ RC 57285	C070.57285
☐ RC 57418	C070.57418
☐ RC 57423	C070.57423
☐ RC 57432	C070.57432
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☐ RC 57498	C070.57498
☐ RC 57502	C070.57502

Cassettes Fiction

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Foreign Language Books–Order Form

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Spanish

Book Number	Office Use Only
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☐ RC 56966	C070.56966

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Arizona	Phoenix	800-255-5578	(602) 255-5578
Arkansas	Little Rock	866-660-0885	(501) 682-1155
California	Los Angeles	800-808-2555	(323) 660-3880
	Sacramento	800-952-5666	(916) 654-0640
Colorado	Denver	800-685-2136	(303) 727-9277
Connecticut	Rocky Hill	800-842-4516	(860) 566-2151
Delaware	Dover	800-282-8676	(302) 739-4748
District of Columbia	Washington		(202) 727-2142
Florida	Daytona Beach	800-226-6075	(386) 239-6000
Georgia	Atlanta	800-248-6701	(404) 756-4619
Hawaii	Honolulu	800-559-4096	(808) 733-8444
Guam	Agana		(671) 475-4753
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Illinois	Springfield	800-665-5576	(217) 782-9435
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Kansas	Emporia	800-362-0699	(620) 343-7124
Kentucky	Frankfort	800-372-2968	(502) 564-8300
Louisiana	Baton Rouge	800-543-4702	(225) 342-4944
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Maryland	Baltimore	800-964-9209	(410) 230-2424
Massachusetts	Watertown	800-852-3133	(617) 972-7240
Michigan	Lansing	800-992-9012	(517) 373-5614
	Westland	888-968-2737	(734) 727-7300
Minnesota	Faribault	800-722-0550	(507) 333-4828
Mississippi	Jackson	800-446-0892	(601) 961-4111
Missouri	Jefferson City	800-392-2614	(573) 751-8720
Montana	Helena	800-332-3400	(406) 444-2064
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New York	Albany	800-342-3688	(518) 474-5935
	New York City		(212) 206-5400
North Carolina	Raleigh	888-388-2460	(919) 733-4376
North Dakota	Bismarck	800-843-9948	(701) 328-1408
Ohio	Cincinnati	800-582-0335	(513) 369-6999
	Cleveland	800-362-1262	(216) 623-2911
Oklahoma	Oklahoma City	800-523-0288	(405) 521-3514
Oregon	Salem	800-452-0292	(503) 378-3849
	Portland		(503) 224-0610
Pennsylvania	Philadelphia	800-222-1754	(215) 683-3213
	Pittsburgh	800-242-0586	(412) 687-2440
Puerto Rico	San Juan	800-981-8008	(787) 723-2519
Rhode Island	Providence		(401) 222-5800
South Carolina	Columbia	800-922-7818	(803) 734-4611
South Dakota	Pierre	800-423-6665	(605) 773-3131
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Utah	Salt Lake City	800-662-5540	(801) 715-6789
Vermont	Berlin	800-479-1711	(802) 828-3273
Virgin Islands	Christiansted		(340) 772-2250
Virginia	Richmond	800-552-7015	(804) 371-3661
Washington	Seattle	800-542-0866	(206) 615-0400
West Virginia	Charleston	800-642-8674	(304) 558-4061
Wisconsin	Milwaukee	800-242-8822	(414) 286-3045
Wyoming	Salt Lake City, Utah	800-453-4293	(801) 715-6789

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The annotated list in this issue is limited to titles recently added to the national collection, which contains thousands of fiction and nonfiction titles, including classics, biographies, gothics, mysteries, and how-to and self-help guides.

To learn more about the wide range of books in the national collection, readers may order catalogs and subject bibliographies from cooperating libraries. Librarians can check other resources for titles and answer requests for special materials.

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In Brief

The following material is reprinted from NLS *Flash*, January 2005, volume 1, issue 3, a newsletter developed to bring current information on NLS progress in digital technology to patrons, library staff, and other interested individuals.

The download of web books and magazines

Wouldn't it be nice to sample a digital talking book (DTB) on your computer before checking it out to read? And nicer still to download the entire book for use right away? National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS), The Library of Congress thinks so. For this reason, NLS is exploring ways to make resources downloadable and available to patrons.

"We plan to build an NLS online library of digital talking books," says Frank Kurt Cylke, NLS director. "Offering downloadable audio books that reflect our collection will enable us to serve our patrons in a new way."

NLS first began providing downloadable content six years ago, making braille books and magazines available in electronic form through Web-Braille. "Braille files are smaller than audio files and hosting them was a feasible option for our current system," says Judy Dixon, NLS consumer relations officer.

Patrons can sign up for free access to the Web-Braille files. They can search the NLS online catalog or scan the current issue of *Braille Book Review* for links to the latest titles. Web-Braille files may be

read online or downloaded for embossing or reading with a refreshable braille display.

"We were able to use an existing archive of digital braille titles to create the original online braille library for NLS patrons," says Dixon. "Since then, it's been a real team effort. We've added music scores and six of our network libraries have contributed hundreds of titles to the cause."

It's been a great success. Nearly 4,000 patrons use Web-Braille to access 7,200 book titles and more than 600 musical scores that range from popular songs to the classical masters. *Harpers*, *Rolling Stone*, *Martha Stewart Living* and 26 other magazines are available for download, as are this year's major league baseball schedules and four other sports schedules.

Introducing the pilot programs

One year ago, NLS launched a web magazine pilot with three audio magazines: *U.S. News and World Report*, *Smart Computing*, and selected issues of *People*. Nearly 50 technically adept patrons are testing the system.

Patrons may select magazines by title and issue date. Then they may download the entire magazine or just select articles. The audio magazine files are compressed to accelerate the download process. Readers can then navigate the magazine by article, section, and in some cases, by subsection. The magazines can be read right on the computer or transferred to a commercially available player that is capable of playing digital talking books.

Here's an example of how the magazines are prepared for the NLS web site. Every Monday, an NLS producer acquires a copy of *U.S. News and World Report*. It is narrated and produced in DTB format on Tuesday and posted on the site by Wednesday.

In December 2004, NLS joined the Unabridged project for a one-year pilot to test the usability of downloadable books. At its launch, Unabridged provided a collection of 250 narrated audio books. However, plans are to have 400 by the end of 2005. Blind and sighted members of NLS staff are evaluating the use and process of downloadable digital audio books, to better understand the needs and wants of patrons, as well as to explore the possibilities related to content protection and distribution. Participation in the NLS portion of the Unabridged project is, at this time, available exclusively to NLS staff.

NLS staff, as well as patrons in the states participating in the pilot project, can download audio books to PCs using a Windows Media Audio-based content and delivery system from OverDrive, Inc., a digital content solutions provider for publishers and retailers.

Participating network libraries include the Mid-Illinois Talking Book Center, Colorado Talking Book Library, Delaware Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Talking Book Program of the New Hampshire State Library, and the Oregon State Library, Talking Book and Braille Services.

NLS is also pursuing a venture with the Online Computer Library Center (OCLC)

to test their NetLibrary product as a means of accessing downloadable audio books. As with the Unabridged project, use will be limited to NLS staff.

"The NetLibrary pilot is another example of how NLS is testing web delivery options for capacity and usability," says Neil Bernstein, an NLS information technology specialist. NetLibrary currently houses 405 audio book titles—including 78 language sets.

Up next

In discussion with vendors now, NLS is searching for a partner with a proven track record of delivering audio books over the Internet. "The final offering will build on the knowledge gained from Web-Braille, web magazines, and the other internal pilot projects," says Michael Moodie, NLS deputy director.

NLS is building downloadable offerings through the analog-to-digital conversion project, which involves converting existing audio cassette books to digital format, as well as producing new titles.

When ready, the NLS download system will provide a large and diverse collection of titles that will allow a cross-section of users access to downloadable digital books. NLS plans include a digital collection of 20,000 book titles and a wide selection of magazines by 2008.

"NLS recognizes the importance of quality technical support and is committed to providing it," says Jean M. Moss, NLS digital projects coordinator. "Now that the plan for downloadable audio books and magazines is in motion, we are pursuing an aggressive schedule to test and develop the best online products for our patrons."

Please note: Participants for NLS pilot programs have already been identified. Public participation will be available after testing is completed.

Finding out what patrons want

NLS is seeking information from all aspects of these projects to guide its development process. What is to be determined?

Here are some examples:

- How do patrons use the system?
- How many books do individuals download?
- What kinds of books are checked out?
- What time of day is download occurring?
- Is a high-speed connection or a dial-up modem used?

NLS also wishes to understand the demographics of the participants.

- Are they younger or older?

And, how will patrons read the books once downloaded?

- On a computer or on portable playback devices?
- Where are books read?
- What kind of computer equipment is used?

In addition, NLS will obtain information on the accessibility and usability of the different download systems.

Digital talking book (DTB) milestones

Completed

- Defined and prioritized digital talking-book (DTB) features.
- Coordinated development and publication of *Specifications for the Digital Talking Book* (ANSI/NISO Z39.86).
- Simulated a DTB player using personal computer.
- Developed a computer-based life-cycle cost (LCC) analysis model for the NLS system and for candidate digital systems.
- Developed computer software for DTB production and presentation.
- Developed software to test conformance of players and DTBs with the ANSI/NISO standard.
- User survey
- Player transition study
- Distribution medium study

Start 1/12/04—finish 10/1/08

The following ongoing projects, set to conclude by 2008, are shown with start dates in parentheses.

- Web-Magazine pilot (1/12/04)
- Digital data management system development (11/1/04)
- Player and medium design (11/1/04)
- Distribution system design and transition planning (12/1/04)
- Design DTB containers and labels (6/1/05)
- Web-Book pilot (6/1/05)
- Prepare for DTB distribution (10/1/05)
- Circulation systems design (12/1/05)
- Manufacture initial lot of DTB containers and labels (9/1/06)
- Distribution system implementation (10/1/06)
- Circulation systems implementation (10/1/06)
- Media production (3/1/07)
- Media duplication (5/1/07)
- Full player production (9/1/07)

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www.loc.gov/nls/businessplan2003.html

A reminder

Free subscriptions to *Reader's Digest* in braille, *Reader's Digest* on cassette, and *Newsweek* on cassette are available from the American Printing House for the Blind by calling 1-800-223-1839.

Books for Adults

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including biographies, classics, gothics, mysteries, romances, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, contact your cooperating library.

Note: For the information of the reader, a notice may appear immediately following the book description to indicate occurrences of strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, or violence. The word "some" before any of these terms indicates an occasional or infrequent occurrence, as in "some strong language."

Cassettes Nonfiction

Black Dahlia Avenger: A Genius for Murder RC 56255
by Steve Hodel
read by Ray Hagen
4 cassettes
Retired LAPD detective describes how he pieced together evidence that led him to conclude that his own father–a sophisticated Hollywood doctor who died in 1999–was a sadistic serial killer who committed the notorious, long-unsolved 1947 murder and mutilation of Elizabeth Short, known as the Black Dahlia. Some strong language. Bestseller. 2003.

More than a Label: Why What You Wear or Who You're with Doesn't Define Who You Are RC 56368
by Aisha Muharrar
read by Coleen Delany
1 cassette
Recent high school graduate surveys more than 1,000 teens to examine how school cliques, designer labels, and other social dividers create problems. Suggests ways for teenagers to overcome negative unspoken rules in school and to accept people as individuals. For senior high readers. 2002.

Regarding the Pain of Others RC 56527
by Susan Sontag
read by Susan McInerney
1 cassette
American intellectual discusses the role of photographs in conveying human suffering and wartime atrocities. She evaluates other writers' opinions on this topic and comments on modern day media coverage of horrific events. 2003.

Horseshoes, Cowsocks, and Duckfeet: More Commentary by NPR's Cowboy Poet and Former Large Animal Veterinarian RC 56531
by Baxter Black
read by Michael Kramer
2 cassettes
A collection of "mostly humorous, occasionally political, and accidentally informative" musings by a popular National Public Radio commentator. Black remarks on everything from cowboy vocabulary and the love of a good cattle dog to Afghanistan and the war on terrorism. 2002.

The Shaman's Coat: A Native History of Siberia RC 56629
by Anna Reid
read by Ray Childs
2 cassettes
Historian and former Kiev correspondent for the *Economist* traverses Siberia to study its native tribes' history, ancient traditions, and daily survival. Reconstructs tribal plights beginning with Russia's first attempt at colonization in 1585. Holds that intolerant, oppressive Russian rule mirrors the experiences of other indigenous peoples. 2002.

Thriving with Heart Disease: A Unique Program for You and Your Family; Live Happier, Healthier, Longer RC 56642
by Wayne M. Sotile
read by Ray Childs
3 cassettes
Cardiac psychologist's guide to dealing with the emotional repercussions of a heart attack or hypertension. Sotile identifies four stages of heart illness–surviving the crisis, creating a coping strategy, handling the homecoming blues, and learning to live with heart disease–and also discusses living well with heart failure or an implantable cardioverter defibrillator. 2003.

Setting the World Ablaze: Washington, Adams, Jefferson, and the American Revolution RC 56654
by John Ferling
read by Geoffrey Centlivre
3 cassettes
Drawing on primary sources and focusing on the Revolutionary War years, Ferling compares the lives of George Washington, John Adams, and Thomas Jefferson. Places them among the most important leaders of the struggle for American independence and discusses their transformation from colonial elites into democratic reformers. 2000.

My Staggerford Journal RC 56669
by Jon Hassler
read by Ray Childs
1 cassette
Daily journal kept by the author while writing *Staggerford (RC 56651)*, his 1977 novel of small-town life in America. Hassler gives insight into the creative process, plot development, and the evolution of such characters as Miles Pruitt, the Bonewoman, and Miss Agatha McGee. 1999.

Ten Things I Learned from Bill Porter RC 56677
by Shelly Brady
read by Ray Childs
1 cassette
The story of a Portland, Oregon, door-to-door salesman with cerebral palsy, whose "indomitable optimism" enabled him to succeed in business and life. Porter's tale unfolds as his assistant elaborates on the lessons she learned from this remarkable man, who played Porter in a television movie. Foreword by actor William H. Macy. 2002.

The Complete Poems of Emily Dickinson RC 56797
by Emily Dickinson
read by Kimberly Schraf
5 cassettes
Original texts of all 1,775 poems by New England recluse Emily Dickinson (1830-1886). Largely unpublished in her lifetime, they are presented in roughly chronological order. 1890.

Beyond Valor: World War II's Ranger and Airborne Veterans Reveal the Heart of Combat RC 56806
by Patrick K. O'Donnell
read by Terence Aselford
3 cassettes
More than one hundred personal accounts from World War II veterans, most of them nonprofessional soldiers. The story of the elite units and a broad view of the war's western front emerge from their recollections, along with the theme of the lasting bonds forged in the heat of battle. 2001.

Wheels for the World: Henry Ford, His Company, and a Century of Progress, 1903-2003 RC 56812
by Douglas Brinkley
read by Robert Sams
8 cassettes
Award-winning biographer draws on archival materials and oral histories to chronicle the life of automaker Henry Ford (1863-1947) and the history of his Ford Motor Company. Brinkley examines the industrialist's multifaceted personality, his labor and business philosophies, and his enduring legacy. 2003.

Companions in Courage: Triumphant Tales of Heroic Athletes RC 56833
by Pat LaFontaine
read by Erik Synnestvedt
2 cassettes
Collection of inspirational stories of athletes who have overcome incredible obstacles to become successful. LaFontaine encourages readers to realize that individuals, even though unable to always control what happens to them, do have a choice in how they respond. For junior and senior high and older readers. 2000.

Change One: The Breakthrough Twelve-Week Eating Plan; Lose Weight Simply, Safely, and Forever RC 56838
by John Hastings
read by Mark Ashby
3 cassettes
Weight reduction plan developed by *Reader's Digest* to help "Americans regain control of what they eat." The twelve-week regimen calls for changing one daily habit at a time, starting with breakfast. Includes suggestions for snacks, dining out, stress relief, exercise, meal planning, and recipes. 2003.

Rodale's Garden Answers: Vegetables, Fruits, and Herbs; At-a-Glance Solutions for Every Gardening Problem RC 56839
edited by Fern Marshall Bradley
read by Coleen Delany
4 cassettes
An all-organic quick reference guide for gardeners who want to "read a little so they can garden a lot." Provides concise information on the causes and

symptoms of common problems for a wide range of vegetables, fruits, and herbs. Also covers getting started and gives regional/seasonal tips. 1995.

On My Own: The Ultimate How-To Guide for Young Adults; a Manual for Excelling in Your Independent Life RC 56840

by Sally Taylor
read by Barbara Pinolini
4 cassettes
A guide for people leaving home to live independently for the first time. Includes advice on jobs, budgeting, health care issues, substance abuse, relationships, and other social skills. Also provides information on how to become a good citizen. For senior high and older readers. 2002.

The Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions of Overeaters Anonymous RC 56864

by Overeaters Anonymous, Inc.
read by Ray Childs
1 cassette
Discusses the disease of compulsive eating and a solution in the form of a twelve-step program of recovery. Also includes an introduction to the twelve traditions used in providing group and individual support. 1990.

Dude, Where's My Country? RC 56935

by Michael Moore
read by D. David Morin
2 cassettes
Author of *Stupid White Men (RC 53775)* continues his criticism of the United States and the Bush administration. Questions the war on terrorism and laments the erosion of domestic civil liberties while supporting Oprah Winfrey for president. Strong language. Bestseller. 2003.

Friends Hold All Things in Common: Tradition, Intellectual Property, and the *Adages* of Erasmus RC 57056

by Kathy Eden
read by Lou Harpenau
2 cassettes
Columbia University humanities professor reflects on the concept of intellectual property, based on adages of the Renaissance scholar Erasmus. Eden contemplates notions of friendship and common property, explores the early history of private property, and provides excerpts from ancient philosophers, such as Pythagoras, Plato, and Augustine. 2001.

Rocky Marciano: The Rock of His Times RC 57063

by Russell Sullivan
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
The life and times of boxer Rocky Marciano (1923-1969), the only heavyweight champ to retire undefeated. Describes the Italian American athlete from Massachusetts within the cultural context of 1950s America. Analyzes Rocky's "womanizing, association with gangsters, and a strange fixation on money." 2002.

The Modern American Presidency RC 57105

by Lewis L. Gould
read by Dan Toohey
2 cassettes
A historian's examination of the American presidency's emergence in the twentieth century. Analyzes factors

that changed the powerful office, among them large bureaucracies, continuous campaigning, and the media. 2003.

Reflections: Life after the White House RC 57178

by Barbara Bush
read by Jill Ferris
3 cassettes
In her sequel to *Barbara Bush: A Memoir (RC 38873)*, Mrs. Bush chronicles the eight years between the presidencies of her husband and son. She recalls official functions, charities and hobbies, extensive travel, world VIPs, and life with her five children and fourteen grandchildren. Includes several recipes. Bestseller. 2003.

Cuba Confidential: Love and Vengeance in Miami and Havana RC 57202

by Ann Louise Bardach
read by Colleen Delany
4 cassettes
Award-winning journalist examines four decades of U.S. policies toward Cuba. Investigates anti-Castro sentiments in Florida's exile community, political corruption, blood feuds, and the Elián Gonzáles affair in 2000. Speculates about the possibility of a future civil war on the island. Some strong language. 2002.

All the Shah's Men: An American Coup and the Roots of Middle East Terror RC 57208

by Stephen Kinzer
read by Mark Ashby
2 cassettes
Chronicles the August 1953 CIA-led coup in Iran that overthrew the democratic government of Prime Minister Mohammad Mossadegh. Describes the events that led to the takeover and the "catastrophic effects" that eventually resulted in the 1979 overthrow of the Shah by Islamic radicals. 2003.

By the Sword: A History of Gladiators, Musketeers, Samurai, Swashbucklers, and Olympic Champions RC 57237

by Richard Cohen
read by Bruce Huntey
4 cassettes
British Olympic fencer details the history of sword fighting from ancient Egyptian times to the twenty-first century. Includes anecdotes about noted warriors, politicians, and actors who wielded the sword; ponders the sociology of dueling–including cheating; and details the art of blade making. Some violence. 2002.

Athénaïs: The Life of Louis XIV's Mistress, the Real Queen of France RC 57243

by Lisa Hilton
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Biography of Athénaïs de Montespan (1640-1707), the longtime mistress of Louis XIV. Discusses her early life, her prominent role as the Sun King's paramour, their children, her influence on the culture of the French court, and the bizarre Affair of the Poisons which led to her downfall. 2002.

Lincoln's Virtues: An Ethical Biography RC 57259
by William Lee Miller
read by Roy Avers
4 cassettes
Ethics scholar presents an unconventional portrait of America's self-educated sixteenth president. Discusses Lincoln's frontier origins and his acceptance by the cultural and intellectual elite. Probes the source of Lincoln's moral convictions, emphasizing his lifelong rejection of majority thinking, his antislavery stance, and his ability to translate morality into policy. 2002.

Seeing in the Dark: How Backyard Stargazers Are Probing Deep Space and Guarding Earth from Interplanetary Peril RC 57262
by Timothy Ferris
read by Lou Harpenau
4 cassettes
Science writer, inspired by a lifetime of stargazing, chronicles the professional-level contributions of amateur astronomers. Emphasizes their vital role in watching the skies for Near Earth Objects, and explains how advances in technology have made astronomy an accessible hobby. Includes charts, observation guides, and tips for the novice. 2002.

Deadly Innocence RC 57265
by Scott Burnside and Alan Cairns
read by Ray Foushee
4 cassettes
Reconstructs the Canadian "crime of the century" in which Paul and Karla Bernardo–a seemingly normal newlywed couple–abduct, rape, torture, and kill teenage girls, including Karla's own sister. Paul also turns out to be the serial "Scarborough Rapist" who haunted Ontario for years. Explicit descriptions of sex, violence, and strong language. 1995.

Down the Susquehanna to the Chesapeake RC 57274
by Jack Brubaker
read by Tom Burch
3 cassettes
Traces the course of the Susquehanna River from its sources in New York and Pennsylvania through Maryland to the Chesapeake–the nation's largest bay. Each chapter highlights a key section of the vast watershed, its historic, cultural, and environmental significance, and the changes that have taken place over the years. 2002.

Getting Your Book Published for Dummies RC 57279
by Sarah Parsons Zackheim
read by Carol Dines
3 cassettes
Describes the publishing industry and emphasizes what budding authors need to know in order to have a book produced. Includes advice on dealing with negotiations, proposals, advances, options, rights, marketing, agents, and self-publishing on the Web. Foreword by Nelson DeMille. 2000.

Eating in the Dark: America's Experiment with Genetically Engineered Food RC 57284
by Kathleen Hart
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Discusses the marketing of genetically modified food products with neither public disclosure nor sufficient government testing. Suggests that regulatory agencies tacitly support biotechnology industries and deny the American public any choice. Contrasts American acceptance of genetically engineered food with European and Japanese refusal. 2002.

The Fever Trail: In Search of the Cure for Malaria RC 57286
by Mark Honigsbaum
read by Kerry Cundiff
3 cassettes
Chronicles the perilous expeditions of three nineteenth-century British explorers searching for South America's elusive cinchona tree–the source of quinine used to cure malaria. Honigsbaum reconstructs their quests to find and smuggle the medicinal bark to English colonies. Also discusses twentieth-century efforts to vaccinate against emerging drug-resistant malaria strains. 2001.

Nobody's Fool: The Lives of Danny Kaye RC 57287
by Martin Gottfried
read by Gary Tipton
3 cassettes
Portrait of entertainer Danny Kaye, born David Daniel Kaminski in 1913. Gottfried reconstructs Kaye's early life and later career as an energetic but emotionally distant singer, dancer, actor, and comedian. He provides an unflattering glimpse into Kaye's personal life, including his troubled marriage and extramarital affairs. Some descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Harlem Reader: A Celebration of New York's Most Famous Neighborhood, from the Renaissance Years to the Twenty-first Century RC 57319
edited by Herb Boyd
read by Robin Miles
2 cassettes
Anthology of essays, articles, short stories, and poetry reflects the diversity and creativity of this unique urban community. Selections represent some of the most significant social, political, and cultural African American voices of the twentieth century including Malcolm X, Sidney Poitier, Langston Hughes, Maya Angelou, and others. 2003.

Middletown, America: One Town's Passage from Trauma to Hope RC 57327
by Gail Sheehy
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Journalist records the post-September 11, 2001, thoughts, feelings, and actions of fifty residents, especially four widowed moms, of Middletown, New Jersey, a community suffering more deaths from the Twin Towers' destruction than any other outside NYC. Sheehy's interviews, conducted over a two-year period, reveal the survivors' trauma, anger, call to activism, and gradual revival of hope. 2003.

The Meaning of the Dead Sea Scrolls: Their Significance for Understanding the Bible, Judaism, Jesus, and Christianity RC 57338
by James VanderKam and Peter Flint
read by Lou Harpenau
5 cassettes
A comprehensive introduction to the ancient manuscripts found between 1947 and 1956 in caves along the shore of the Dead Sea. Explores the discovery and dating of the parchments, their relationship to religious scripture, the controversies surrounding their existence, and the message of nonbiblical scrolls. 2002.

Windows XP for Dummies RC 57340
by Andy Rathbone
read by John Richardson
3 cassettes
Covers the essentials for novices to become familiar with basic computer parts as well as the Windows XP operating system. Includes how to run programs, move and delete files, connect to the Internet, and use such applications as e-mail, web browsers, and multimedia players. 2001.

Hegemony or Survival: America's Quest for Global Dominance RC 57354
by Noam Chomsky
read by Michael Scherer
2 cassettes
Author of *Deterring Democracy (RC 34598)* dissects the U.S. "imperial grand strategy," which he asserts has intensified since the September 11, 2001, attacks. Chomsky traces American desire for supremacy to the early days of WWII, analyzes the George W. Bush administration's aggressive foreign policies, and warns of dire consequences. Bestseller. 2003.

Living to Tell the Tale RC 57362
by Gabriel García Márquez
read by Mark Ashby
3 cassettes
The Nobel Prize-winning Colombian author of novels such as *One Hundred Years of Solitude (RC 25181)* and *Love in the Time of Cholera (RC 26981)* presents a memoir–first of a projected trilogy–of his poverty-filled early years including the beginning of his writing career, his love affairs, and politics. Bestseller. 2002.

Sailing the Wine-Dark Sea: Why the Greeks Matter RC 57372
by Thomas Cahill
read by Ken Kliban
2 cassettes
The author of *Desire of the Everlasting Hills (RC 50633)* continues his survey of civilizations by tracing the fifth-century-B.C. Greek rise to ascendency in democracy, philosophy, poetry, drama, music, architecture and the arts, and warfare. Strong language. 2003.

Intelligence in War: Knowledge of the Enemy from Napoleon to Al-Qaeda RC 57376
by John Keegan
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
Author of *The First World War (RC 48770)* examines the role of intelligence in military conflicts. Using land and sea battles from the late 1700s through World War II as case studies,

Keegan concludes that foreknowledge of enemy activities, although useful, is "no protection against disaster" and that "only force ultimately counts." 2003.

The Stone Cold Truth RC 57379
by Steve Austin
read by Alec Volz
2 cassettes
The autobiography of professional wrestler "Stone Cold" Steve Austin. He describes rising through the ranks of the World Championship Wrestling Federation, his dispute with the owner leading to his departure, joining the World Wrestling Entertainment Corporation, and working with agents. Discusses his three marriages, and more. Some strong language. Bestseller. 2003.

True Notebooks RC 57380
by Mark Salzman
read by John Lescault
2 cassettes
Collection of writings by juvenile inmates, compiled by their detention-center teacher, a former victim of violent juvenile crime. Salzman develops an understanding of his students in the justice system and helps them explore their vulnerabilities, fears, and hopes through writing. Strong language, some descriptions of sex, and some violence. Bestseller. 2003.

Queen Anne RC 57389
by Edward Gregg
read by Annie Wauters
4 cassettes
Biography of Britain's Queen Anne (1665-1714). Presents public and private aspects of her life, portraying her as both ruler and private individual. Examines her reign, dominated at home by political factions vying to succeed her and abroad by a struggle against France's Louis XIV. 2001.

Sunk without a Sound: The Tragic Colorado River Honeymoon of Glen and Bessie Hyde RC 57394
by Brad Dimock
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
White-water guide retraces the ill-fated 1928 honeymoon voyage of a couple who traveled down the Grand Canyon on the Colorado River in a sweep scow–only to disappear. Relates their family histories and the subsequent unsuccessful search for them. 2001.

The Pity of It All: A History of Jews in Germany, 1743-1933 RC 57405
by Amos Elon
read by Mark Ashby
3 cassettes
Israeli historian and journalist depicts two centuries of Jewish participation in and identification with German culture. Elon traces Jewish assimilation into German society and explores individual contributions to the German intellectual community, beginning with philosopher Moses Mendelssohn's arrival in Berlin in 1743 and ending with the rise of Nazism. 2002.

Lessons I Learned in the Dark RC 57411
by Jennifer Rothschild
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
Christian inspirational speaker and singer, who lost her eyesight in high school due to retinitis pigmentosa,

emphasizes the importance of spiritual beliefs in overcoming personal problems. Rothschild describes her first and greatest lesson, learned from God: "Even when it is not well with our circumstances, it can be well with our souls." 2002.

Scientific Conversations: Interviews on Science from the *New York Times* RC 57419
by Claudia Dreifus
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
Thirty-eight scientists–from astronomers and geologists to immunologists and developmental biologists–answer a journalist's questions about their special fields of work and personal involvement. Includes Stephen Jay Gould, Freeman Dyson, Sir Arthur C. Clarke, John McPhee, and Sir Roger Penrose. 2001.

The President's House: A First Daughter Shares the History and Secrets of the World's Most Famous Home RC 57439
by Margaret Truman
read by Patricia McDermott
3 cassettes
The daughter of president Harry Truman describes the history and architectural features of the White House and shares tidbits about its former occupants. Includes anecdotes about past commanders in chief and their families, pets, servants, and distinguished guests. 2003.

A Shortcut through Time: The Path to the Quantum Computer RC 57444
by George Johnson
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
Award-winning *New York Times* science writer explores the possibilities of quantum computation. Johnson compares present-day desktop and supercomputers based on binary logic to possible future computers relying on principles of molecular physics, which would be exponentially faster. Provides an overview of the basic concepts and evolution of quantum mechanics. 2003.

Down by the River: Drugs, Money, Murder, and Family RC 57446
by Charles Bowden
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
Journalist reconstructs the 1995 murder of Lionel Bruno Jordan in El Paso, Texas, and the subsequent search for the truth by his DEA-agent brother. The trail leads to hypocrisy and corruption as Bowden implicates Mexico and the United States as willing partners in the drug trade. Violence and some strong language. 2002.

Beyond the River: The Untold Story of the Heroes of the Underground Railroad RC 57447
by Ann Hagedorn
read by Jill Fox
3 cassettes
Portrait of Presbyterian minister John Rankin (1793-1886) and his fellow abolitionists who ran the Underground Railroad of Ripley, Ohio–a town known to Kentucky slaveholders

across the river as a haven for runaway slaves. Hagedorn chronicles their heroic efforts to liberate slaves and discusses the abolitionist movement. 2002.

Beyond Courage: The Nine Principles of Heroism RC 57453
by Chris Benguhe
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
Benguhe presents the personal characteristics that he feels underlie heroism: integrity, duty, self-respect, faith, devotion, altruism, compassion, listening, and forgiveness. He explains each trait with a definition, a "how-to" example, and a true account of a hero demonstrating that principle in action. 2003.

Leavenworth Train: A Fugitive's Search for Justice in the Vanishing West RC 57459
by Joe Jackson
read by Alec Volz
4 cassettes
Portrait of Frank Grigware, who was convicted of train robbery and sent to the U.S. penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, in 1909. Using prison records, FBI files, and periodicals, Jackson reconstructs Grigware's story: his unjust sentence, escape, adventurous flight across the American frontier, and arrival in Canada, where he began a new life. Some violence. 2001.

In the Next Galaxy RC 57465
by Ruth Stone
read by Mitzi Friedlander
1 cassette
Eighth collection from the award-winning Virginia native, born in 1915. In nearly one hundred poems, Stone provides an unsentimental personal glimpse of her life–from coping with her husband's suicide and the realities of her own aging to everyday observations of the world around her. Some strong language. National Book Award. 2002.

When Smoke Ran like Water: Tales of Environmental Deception and the Battle against Pollution RC 57467
by Devra Davis
read by Kerry Cundiff
3 cassettes
Motivated by pollution-related deaths in her Pennsylvania hometown, a senior advisor to the World Health Organization analyzes the struggle for accountability and regulation of environmental polluters. Davis investigates the statistical link between toxic substances and health problems and exposes how industrial polluters deceive the public by manipulating scientists and government agencies. 2002.

Taking Flight: Inventing the Aerial Age from Antiquity through the First World War RC 57486
by Richard P. Hallion
read by Bill Wallace
4 cassettes
Comprehensive survey by former air force historian of the evolution of flight. Hallion highlights aviation milestones and the individuals behind them–from second-century Chinese kites to European Renaissance-era wing designs and later balloon and glider experiments. Covers the Wright brothers' historic 1903 flight and

provides an analysis of World War I aerial technology. 2003.

Looking for Spinoza: Joy, Sorrow, and the Feeling Brain RC 57512

by Antonio Damasio
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
A leading neurologist, the author of *The Feeling of What Happens (RC 53230)*, explores the relationship between perceptions, the nervous system, brain chemistry, and feeling states. In affirming the priority of behaviors over associated feelings, he discovers an intellectual kinship with the seventeenth-century Dutch philosopher Spinoza. 2003.

Treasured Poems That Touch the Heart: Cherished Poems and Favorite Poets RC 57537

compiled by Mary Sanford Laurence
read by Margaret Strom
1 cassette
Anthology of familiar poems grouped by themes such as youth, life, romance, friendship, character, prayer, nature, sorrow, growing old, and reflections. Includes writings by the Brownings, Donne, Frost, Shakespeare, and Wordsworth. 1996.

Christmas at the *New Yorker*: Stories, Poems, Humor, and Art RC 57538

by the *New Yorker*
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
Anthology of holiday writing featured in the *New Yorker* magazine from 1925 to 2002. Seasonal poetry and prose highlight themes like the spirit of giving, family, Santa Claus, and Christmas carols. Contributing authors include James Thurber, H.L. Mencken, Alice Munro, E.B. White, and foreword author John Updike. 2003.

Judgment Ridge: The True Story behind the Dartmouth Murders RC 57543

by Mitchell Zuckoff and Dick Lehr
read by Dan Toohey
3 cassettes
Boston Globe reporters examine the 2001 murder of a professor couple from Dartmouth College by two Vermont teenagers. Explores the rural environment's social conditions and investigates the mind-set of the killers, Jim Parker and Robert Tulloch. Some violence and some strong language. 2003.

This Far by Faith: Stories from the African American Religious Experience RC 57544

by Juan Williams and Quinton Dixie
read by Dan Toohey
2 cassettes
This companion to the PBS television series chronicles African American religious history, both Christian and non-Christian, from slavery to the twentieth century. Explores the evolution of faith as a source of strength, influence of the church on the civil rights movement, and leaders it has produced, including the Reverend Martin Luther King Jr. 2003.

Hope Dies Last: Keeping the Faith in Difficult Times RC 57545
by Studs Terkel
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
Oral interviews with fifty-four people, varying in age and profession, focusing especially on their hopes to achieve a better life for themselves and mankind. Terkel presents these vignettes, which discuss such subjects as politics, economics, and civil rights, to support his thesis that hope is necessary to trigger activism leading to change. 2003.

Rocket Man: Robert H. Goddard and the Birth of the Space Age RC 57549
by David A. Clary
read by Mark Ashby
2 cassettes
Biography of Massachusetts-born physicist known as the American father of modern rocketry. This balanced portrait of Goddard (1882-1945) not only considers his contributions to space-flight technology, major among them the liquid-fueled rocket, but also his contradictory nature and the rise and fall of his image in the twentieth century. 2003.

The Grandparent Guide: The Definitive Guide to Coping with the Challenges of Modern Grandparenting RC 57550
by Arthur Kornhaber
read by Faith Potts
3 cassettes
Medical doctor who is also a child and family therapist offers advice on the role grandparents play in the lives of their grandchildren, as well as changes in that role as people live longer. His topics include baby-sitting, mentoring, spiritual guidance, favoritism, spoiling, adoption, divorce, substance abuse, "cybergrandparenting," legal issues, and legacies. 2002.

Me and My Dad: A Baseball Memoir RC 57553
by Paul O'Neill
read by Erik Synnestvedt
2 cassettes
Autobiography by former New York Yankee Paul O'Neill saluting his late father, Charles "Chick" O'Neill, as childhood idol, lifelong teacher, coach, and best friend. The Ohio native recalls his family, career, and bond with his father, who viewed baseball as "a way of life, a set of rules and philosophies, challenges and opportunities." 2003.

Wings of Madness: Alberto Santos-Dumont and the Invention of Flight RC 57554
by Paul Hoffman
read by Ted Stoddard
2 cassettes
Author of *The Man Who Loved Only Numbers (RC 48056)* examines the life and work of Alberto Santos-Dumont (1873-1932), the Brazilian-born aeronautical pioneer whose dirigibles captivated Paris. Hoffman highlights Santos-Dumont's aerial accomplishments, role in the race for manned flight, and despair at the destructive power of militarized aircraft during World War I. 2003.

Terror in the Name of God: Why Religious Militants Kill RC 57555
by Jessica Stern
read by Gary Telles
4 cassettes
Terrorism expert explores the phenomenon of violence perpetrated in the name of religion–Christian, Jewish, and Muslim. Drawing on conversations with government officials, religious leaders, and terrorist operatives, Stern identifies motivations and grievances leading individuals to join holy-war groups. She also examines the structure of their organizations and suggests some counterstrategies. 2003.

How the Cows Turned Mad RC 57563
by Maxime Schwartz
read by Ted Stoddard
2 cassettes
Molecular biologist chronicles the origins of "mad cow" disease, its forms and manifestations, genetic links, manner of transmission, the hunt for its cause, major discoveries, and public health concerns surrounding the epidemic. Covers related afflictions targeting the central nervous system. 2003.

Brinkley's Beat: People, Places, and Events That Shaped My Time RC 57571
by David Brinkley
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Posthumously published memoir by well-known TV reporter and anchor comprising anecdotal reflections on his life and career. Covers his many interests including World War II, civil rights, world affairs, political personalities and conventions, and American foreign policy. Includes his wry observations on his world and his work. 2003.

Horatio's Drive: America's First Road Trip RC 57572
by Dayton Duncan
read by Steven Carpenter
1 cassette
Account of the first cross-country automobile trip in the United States. In 1903 Horatio Jackson, a thirty-one-year-old Vermont doctor, bet fifty dollars that he could drive from San Francisco to New York despite only 150 miles of paved roadway in the entire nation. Introduction by Ken Burns, maker of a companion PBS documentary. 2003.

Do You Love Football? Winning with Heart, Passion, and Not Much Sleep RC 57574
by Jon Gruden
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Autobiographical account by the youngest head coach of a Super Bowl winner. A former non-star college quarterback, Gruden details his professional coaching career with five NFL teams, progressing from an assistant's position with the San Francisco 49ers to the chief architect leading the Tampa Bay Buccaneers to football's ultimate prize in 2003. 2003.

My Prison without Bars RC 57590
by Pete Rose
read by Jack Fox
3 cassettes
Autobiography by former Cincinnati Reds baseball star banned from the

sport in 1989 after gambling allegations. Rose describes his rise to fame as a record-breaking hitter and team manager, five-month prison stay for tax evasion, and 2002 bid for reinstatement to baseball by admitting he bet on his team. Strong language. Bestseller. 2004.

The Price of Loyalty: George W. Bush, the White House, and the Education of Paul O'Neill RC 57591

by Ron Suskind
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes
Pulitzer prize-winning journalist uses documents from the Secretary of the Treasury under president George W. Bush to illustrate the inner workings of the White House. The maverick millionaire O'Neill, former CEO of Alcoa, details his brief two-year stint in the cabinet. Bestseller. 2004.

One Hundred Years of Hunting: The Ultimate Tribute to Our Hunting Heritage RC 57592

edited by Voyageur Press
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
A collection of eighteen hunting tales by notable historical persons and outdoor writers celebrating an American sporting activity over most of the past century. Includes Grover Cleveland's "Quail Shooting" (1906), Ernest Hemingway's "Remembering Shooting-Flying: A Key West Letter" (1935), and Jimmy Carter's "Learning to Hunt" (1988). 1999.

The Progress Paradox: How Life Gets Better While People Feel Worse RC 57594

by Gregg Easterbrook
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
Journalist examines the increased prevalence of melancholy, pessimism, and discontent in Western culture despite ever-higher standards of living. Easterbrook presents sociological theories to explain how aspects of contemporary life breed negativity. Urges a return to positive thinking for the sake of self and society. 2003.

Blood for Dignity: The Story of the First Integrated Combat Unit in the U.S. Army RC 57597

by David P. Colley
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes
Chronicles the experiences of the first African American platoon integrated with white units since the Revolutionary War. Drawing on interviews with WWII veterans, Colley describes the division's three months of European combat in 1945, examines frontline race relations, and discusses the broader implications of military integration for American society. 2003.

Barry Bonds: Baseball's Superman RC 57602

by Steven Travers
read by Jack Fox
3 cassettes
Sports columnist and former professional baseball player examines the life and character of San Francisco Giant Barry Bonds, a four-time winner of the Most Valuable Player award who

broke the single-season home run record in 2001. Travers chronicles Bonds's life and sometimes controversial but illustrious career. Foreword by actor Charlie Sheen. 2002.

Food, Inc.: Mendel to Monsanto; the Promises and Perils of the Biotech Harvest RC 57607

by Peter Pringle
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Journalist traces the development of genetically modified foods and the debate surrounding biotech farming. Addresses both potential benefits, such as alleviating world hunger, and possible hazards. Also raises concerns over delayed government regulation and the lack of information available to consumers. 2003.

There's a Flying Squirrel in My Coffee: Overcoming Cancer with the Help of My Pet RC 57617

by Bill Goss
read by Gary Tipton
2 cassettes
Retired naval lieutenant commander, business consultant, and motivational speaker presents an inspirational account of his triumph over a rare but deadly form of skin cancer. Goss reflects on his illness, his love for his family, and his adventures with an orphaned flying squirrel named Rocky, who helped him recover. 2002.

The Lord Is My Shepherd: Healing Wisdom of the Twenty-Third Psalm RC 57619

by Harold S. Kushner
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
Rabbi Kushner, author of *When Bad Things Happen to Good People (RC 48900)*, reflects on the solace in the words of the Twenty-Third Psalm and their meaning after the terrorist events of September 11, 2001. Kushner's nonsectarian discussion examines each stanza of the psalm as it relates to life and loss. 2003.

From Love Field: Our Final Hours with President John F. Kennedy RC 57621

by Nellie Connally and Mickey Herskowitz
read by Mitzi Friedlander
1 cassette
Widow of former Texas governor John Connally recalls the fateful Dallas ride in the presidential limousine on November 22, 1963, when JFK was fatally shot and the governor severely wounded. Nellie Connally describes the chaos of the scene, her husband's long recovery, and the assassination's effect on her and her three children. 2003.

Multiple Sclerosis Q and A: Reassuring Answers to Frequently Asked Questions RC 57623

by Beth Ann Hill
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
Introduction to multiple sclerosis (MS) by a patient, addressing the most common concerns. Topics include

symptoms, tests, diagnosis, and treatments. Covers family issues and lifestyle changes and offers positive assurances and available resources. 2003.

Without Pity: Ann Rule's Most Dangerous Killers RC 57641

by Ann Rule
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Veteran crime journalist Rule gathers twelve cases from investigating detectives, victims, grieving survivors, prosecutors, and defense attorneys. Examines the motive and exceptional nature of each crime, including the killing of two hikers in "The Tumbledown Shack" and murder for hire in "Murder and the Proper Housewife." Violence. Bestseller. 2003.

Franklin and Winston: An Intimate Portrait of an Epic Friendship RC 57644

by Jon Meacham
read by Jake Williams
4 cassettes
Chronicles the vital friendship between British prime minister Winston Churchill and U.S. president Franklin D. Roosevelt between 1939 and 1945. The author, managing editor at *Newsweek*, uses archives and reminiscences of staffers to document the leaders' personal relationship as the two planned the defeat Germany and Japan. Bestseller. 2003.

Tour of Duty: John Kerry and the Vietnam War RC 57645

by Douglas Brinkley
read by Jake Williams
5 cassettes
Account of Massachusetts senator's decorated naval career by history professor and author of *Wheels for the World (RC 56812)*. Drawing on interviews and Kerry's own wartime correspondence and journals, Brinkley describes Kerry's schooling, military training, tour of duty in Vietnam, and participation in antiwar protests. Some strong language. Bestseller. 2004.

Diabetes A to Z: What You Need to Know about Diabetes, Simply Put RC 57648

by American Diabetes Association
read by Jake Williams
1 cassette
Revised and updated edition explains diabetes-related issues in clear, simple terms. Topics for coping with the illness are arranged alphabetically and cover diet and exercise, blood glucose monitoring, possible complications, health care, employment rights, and more. 2003.

Independent Living: A Viable Option for Long-Term Care RC 57655

by Andrew I. Batavia
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Late founder of the *Journal of Disability Policy Studies* assesses three models of available long-term care: institutional care, home-based support, and personal assistance services. Details strategies for implementing the "independent living model" and

addresses consumer-related issues such as financing and quality assurance. 2003.

The *Bounty*: The True Story of the Mutiny on the *Bounty* RC 57656

by Caroline Alexander
read by Graeme Malcolm
3 cassettes
Drawing on diaries, correspondence, news items, and other primary source material, Alexander casts a new light on events surrounding the mutineers' seizure of the *Bounty* in 1789. Alexander examines the actions and motivations of the central characters, as well as Tahitian seductions and political intrigues, concluding that Captain Bligh was unjustly maligned. 2003.

Thomas Jefferson: An Intimate History RC 57671

by Fawn M. Brodie
read by Bill Wallace
5 cassettes (Reissue)
History professor researches Thomas Jefferson using primary sources and resents not only his public but also his inner life. Documents his long association with his slave mistress, Sally Hemings, the half-sister of his late wife, Martha. 1974.

Deliver Us from Evil: Defeating Terrorism, Despotism, and Liberalism RC 57701

by Sean Hannity
read by Michael Scherer
2 cassettes
Fox news host, author of *Let Freedom Ring (RC 54932)*, addresses "the reality of evil in the world." Posits the importance of acting against it and holds that democratic liberals' advocacy of accommodation jeopardizes U.S. national security. Bestseller. 2004.

The Privilege of Youth: A Teenager's Story of Longing for Acceptance and Friendship RC 57704

by Dave Pelzer
read by Michael Russotto
2 cassettes
Bestselling author of *A Man Named Dave (RC 49257)* and *A Child Called "It" (RC 45004)* continues his memoir of childhood abuse and recovery. In this installment, Pelzer revisits his adolescence, describing both torment by bullies and the thrill of making friends. Some violence and some strong language. Bestseller. 2004.

The Proper Care and Feeding of Husbands RC 57705

by Laura C. Schlessinger
read by Mary Kane
1 cassette
Radio talk-show psychologist and author of *Ten Stupid Things Women Do to Mess Up Their Lives (RC 38864)* illustrates marital enjoyment, using real-life examples. Enumerates her fundamental concepts and techniques to keep a mate content. Bestseller. 2004.

The Automatic Millionaire: A Powerful One-Step Plan to Live and Finish Rich RC 57712

by David Bach
read by Christopher Walker
2 cassettes
Financial expert's simple, common-sense approach to accumulating wealth over one's working life. Advises people to forget budgeting and instead "pay themselves first" by setting aside

a certain percentage of their salary for direct deposit into a retirement account. Stresses the importance of automating personal finances to obviate day-to-day decisions. Bestseller. 2004.

The Couple RC 57717
by Mark Rudman
read by John Lescault
1 cassette
Rider (RC 56813) author depicts eros, romance, and memory in fourteen verses and prose poems. From popular culture, history, and mythology, Rudman explores such pairs as schoolmates, Perseus and Andromeda, and Mary Ure and Robert Shaw. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2002.

We Survived: Fourteen Histories of the Hidden and Hunted in Nazi Germany RC 57732
by Eric H. Boehm
read by Mark Ashby
2 cassettes
Compilation by a World War II veteran of firsthand accounts from some individuals who resisted Nazi injustice in the 1930s and 1940s. Depicts underground movements of lawbreakers, fugitives, prisoners, and deserters who risked their lives for freedom on the "inner front." 1949.

Urban Tribes: A Generation Redefines Friendship, Family, and Commitment RC 57735
by Ethan Watters
read by Michael Russotto
2 cassettes
Author defines "urban tribes" as communities of individuals bound together by common interests, friendship, and circumstances. Describes these networks, which usually comprise unmarried professionals who turn to the group for the kinds of support traditionally supplied by families. Includes interviews with members of various tribes across the United States. 2003.

Making Family Websites: Fun and Easy Ways to Share Memories RC 57845
by Jenni Bidner
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Easy-to-follow instructions for creating an interactive online scrapbook for exchanging family news, displaying photos, and organizing events. Explains how web sites work and provides information on securing a site name, using computer software, improving photo quality, designing and personalizing a virtual gallery, and uploading a finished product onto the Internet. 2003.

The Ornament of the World: How Muslims, Jews, and Christians Created a Culture of Tolerance in Medieval Spain RC 57848
by María Rosa Menocal
read by Frank Coffee
2 cassettes
Yale professor portrays the flourishing culture and economy that existed in Andalusia in the Middle Ages when the Muslim Umayyad dynasty encouraged religious tolerance of the area's Jews and Christians. Discusses aesthetic achievements and cross-cultural triumphs such as the Alhambra and the poetry of Judah Halevi. 2002.

From Time Immemorial: The Origins of the Arab-Jewish Conflict over Palestine RC 57849
by Joan Peters
read by Suzanne Toren
5 cassettes
Former White House Mideast consultant draws on primary documents, official archives, and firsthand interviews to examine historical factors underlying the twentieth-century conflict between Jews and Muslims in the Middle East. Scholarly analysis of widely held misconceptions concerning Arab refugees as well as the roles of tradition and migration. 1984.

In the Beginning: Creation Stories from around the World RC 57850
retold by Virginia Hamilton
read by Lindsay Ellison
1 cassette
Twenty-five myths from around the globe describe the creation of the world. Includes "First Man, First Woman" from the Bible, "Bursting from the Hen's Egg" from China, and "An Endless Sea of Mud" from Africa. For junior and senior high readers. 1988.

Yasir Arafat: A Political Biography RC 57851
by Barry Rubin and
Judith Colp Rubin
read by Ralph Lowenstein
3 cassettes
Journalists portray the man who became leader of the Palestinian nationalist movement in 1959 when he founded Fatah. Using interviews and archival materials, they analyze his upbringing, his early military experiences, and the development of his reputation as a revolutionary and survivor, focusing on the elusive man himself. Includes chronology, glossary, and bibliography. 2003.

The World I Live In RC 57951
by Helen Keller
read by Judith Gantly
1 cassette
New edition of a short collection of personal essays Helen Keller wrote in 1908 when she was twenty-eight. Follows *The Story of My Life (RC 55883, BR 14704)*. This reflective work is separated into three categories: the senses, especially touch; imagination, thinking, and language; and dream analysis. Introduction by Roger Shattuck. 2003.

The Peloponnesian War RC 57952
by Donald Kagan
read by Bill Wallace
4 cassettes
Classical historian chronicles the thirty-year war between Athens and Sparta that ended a remarkable time of prosperity in Greece during the fifth century B.C. Kagan draws on the work of contemporary participant Thucydides and other ancient sources in detailing the rivalries, strategies, and main players in the conflict. 2003.

Dr. Sears' *LEAN* Kids: A Total Health Program for Children Ages Six through Twelve RC 57956
by William Sears and
Peter Sears
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Renowned pediatrician William Sears offers a twelve-week plan for parents

to help children reach their optimal health. Comprehensive guide addresses four keys to a child's well-being: L: lifestyle; E: exercise; A: attitude; and N: nutrition. Provides strategies for helping kids develop positive health habits, including wise eating decisions. 2003.

Escape from Slavery: The True Story of My Ten Years in Captivity and My Journey to Freedom in America RC 57965

by Francis Bok
read by Peter Jay Fernandez
2 cassettes
A Christian Dinka relates his capture in 1986 at age seven and enslavement by northern Sudanese Arabs before breaking free. Bok describes herding goats and cattle for a cruel master, finally escaping on the third try, obtaining UN refugee status, moving to the United States in 1999, and becoming an antislavery activist. 2003.

The Anatomy of Hope: How People Prevail in the Face of Illness RC 57969

by Jerome Groopman
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Physician and *New Yorker* staff writer draws on thirty years of medical experience and his own struggles with a debilitating back injury to explore the "biology of hope." Presenting intimate portraits of former patients, Groopman investigates, in the mind-body connection, scientific evidence of emotions' contributions to recovery. 2004.

Secret Soldiers: The Story of World War II's Heroic Army of Deception RC 57974

by Philip Gerard
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
Details unorthodox missions of the 23d Headquarters Special Troops, an eclectic group including artists, actors, and engineers whose overall purpose was battlefield deception. Gerard describes how inflatable tanks, special effects, camouflage, and radio misinformation were used to fool the German army and minimize Allied casualties. Some violence. 2002.

Alzheimer's Early Stages: First Steps for Families, Friends, and Caregivers RC 57980

by Daniel Kuhn
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Education director of the Mather Institute of Aging addresses medical aspects of Alzheimer's disease including risk factors, early symptoms, treatment, and prevention. Also covers care, safety, finances, and end-of-life concerns. Emphasizes the importance of support groups and other assistance for families. 1999.

The Radical Lives of Helen Keller RC 57987

by Kim E. Nielsen
read by Judith Gantly
2 cassettes
Feminist professor analyzes the political and social views of Helen Keller. Describes Keller's support of the Socialist Party of America in 1909, women's suffrage and birth control,

and radical labor unions. But, according to the author, "the disability politics she adopted were frequently conservative, consistently patronizing, and occasionally repugnant." 2004.

Climbing Higher RC 57988
by Montel Williams
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Emmy-winning talk show host relates his personal experiences in confronting the physical and emotional challenges of living with multiple sclerosis (MS). Williams describes the diagnosis and manifestations of his disease; reviews different medications for managing pain; and includes opinions and predictions of seven doctors regarding MS research. Strong language. 2004.

The Power of Intention: Learning to Co-create Your World Your Way RC 58050
by Wayne W. Dyer
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Self-development speaker/author presents a step-by-step guide for connecting to the universal, omnipresent energy he describes as intention, the source of creativity. Outlines ways to access the spirit and raise energy levels, realize desires, expand reality, and achieve tranquility. 2004.

My Life: Abridged Edition RC 58101
by Bill Clinton
read by Bill Clinton
2 cassettes
Abridged autobiography of William Jefferson Clinton, forty-second American president. 2004.

Cassettes Fiction

Handbook for Boys RC 54621
by Walter Dean Myers
read by Chuck Young
1 cassette
Sixteen-year-old Jimmy Lynch, on probation for assault, is mentored by three senior citizens in a Harlem barbershop. Over time Jimmy absorbs their advice on choices and responsibility. For junior and senior high readers. 2002.

The Gospel of Judas RC 55217
by Simon Mawer
read by Geoffrey Centlivre
3 cassettes
Biblical scholar Father Leo Newman travels to Jerusalem to translate a newly discovered scroll believed to be a fifth gospel written by the apostle Judas. Meanwhile he is having an affair with a married woman, reminiscent of his mother's past. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2001.

Child of My Heart RC 55346
by Alice McDermott
read by Susan McInerney
2 cassettes
Theresa, a beautiful fifteen-year-old girl, lives in East Hampton, Long Island, and takes care of children and pets for wealthy families during the beach season. She matures into a young woman the summer her sickly eight-year-old cousin Daisy visits her from New York. Some strong language. 2002.

***The Minority Report* and Other Classic Stories RC 55815**
by Philip K. Dick
read by Gary Telles
4 cassettes
Eighteen science fiction short stories, among them "The Minority Report," in which police commissioner John Anderton invents a preventive crime system to identify criminals before they commit offenses. When Anderton is marked as the next aggressor, he must flee for his life. 1987.

The Dogs of Babel RC 56295
by Carolyn Parkhurst
read by Erik Singer
2 cassettes
Linguist Paul Iverson grieves for his wife, Lexy, who died after mysteriously falling from a tree. Lorelei, their dog, is the only witness. Paul attempts to teach Lorelei to talk in order to determine whether the fall was an accident or suicide, all the while reliving his memories of Lexy. Strong language. Bestseller. 2003.

Pool Boy RC 56390
by Michael Simmons
read by Gary Roan
1 cassette
Spoiled California teen Brett must forego his wealthy lifestyle after his dad goes to prison for insider trading and his family has to survive on reduced income. Brett takes a job cleaning pools and learns to adjust to his new circumstances. Some strong language. For junior and senior high readers. 2003.

The Burning Stone: Crown of Stars, Volume 3 RC 56490
by Kate Elliott
read by Anne Flosnik
7 cassettes
Liath and her husband, Sanglant, fall from King Henry's grace for Liath's sorcery. When the couple discovers they are born of enemy camps, Liath must choose between destiny, her child, and the man she loves. Sequel to *Prince of Dogs (RC 56489)*. Violence and some descriptions of sex. 1999.

Six Easy Pieces: Easy Rawlins Stories RC 56534
by Walter Mosley
read by Chuck Young
2 cassettes
Seven interconnected short stories featuring Easy Rawlins in 1960s Los Angeles. Rawlins assists pals who are in trouble and encounters arson, murder, and mayhem. He also searches for his friend Mouse, who he suspects may still be alive. Some violence and some strong language. 2003.

As Above, So Below: A Novel of Peter Bruegel RC 56621
by Rudy Rucker
read by Ray Childs
3 cassettes
Fictional biography of the sixeenth-century Flemish painter. Depicts Bruegel's personal life and artistic career, reflecting the political turmoil of Catholic Spain's occupation of the Calvinist-inclined Netherlands. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2002.

Great Dream of Heaven: Stories RC 56661
by Sam Shepard
read by Constance Crawford
1 cassette
Eighteen short stories portraying unfulfilled, often desperate individuals forced to recognize who they really are. In "The Remedy Man," a boy observes the grim contest between a man and an ill-tempered stallion. In "Blinking Eye," a woman transporting her mother's ashes to the funeral stops to help an injured hawk. 2002.

The Battle RC 56662
by Patrick Rambaud
read by Ray Childs
2 cassettes
Fictionalized account of Napoleon's first major land defeat at the Battle of Essling in May 1809. Marshal Masséna led his troops against the Austrians outside of Vienna but was forced to retreat. In two days more than forty thousand lay dead. The winner of two French literary awards. Violence. 2000.

The Outcry RC 56670
by Henry James
read by Constance Crawford
2 cassettes
Early-twentieth-century satire on the rich. While wealthy American Breckenridge Bender travels to England to buy heirlooms from cash-poor British aristocrats, Lord Theign of Dedborough tries to marry off his daughter in order to pay family debts. James's last novel. 1911.

***The Amazing Interlude* and *The Street of Seven Stars* RC 56783**
by Mary Roberts Rinehart
read by Margaret Strom
3 cassettes
In *The Amazing Interlude* Sara Lee Kennedy leaves her fiancé during the First World War to join the Red Cross in Belgium. There she falls in love with a shell-shocked soldier. In *The Street of Seven Stars* an American musician living in Austria must choose between love and career. 2000.

Robot Dreams RC 56820
by Isaac Asimov
read by Michael Russoto
3 cassettes
Twenty-one science fiction stories about robots and intelligent computers. In the title story, roboticist Susan Calvin must ponder what possible dangers could arise from humanoid machines that dream. In "The Last Question," a supercomputer weighs the ultimate fate of the universe. 1986.

The Collected Stories of Vernor Vinge RC 56827
by Vernor Vinge
read by Terence Aselford
4 cassettes
Contains almost all of this Hugo Award-winner's science fiction short stories from his first, "Apartness" (1965), to "Fast Times at Fairmont High" more than three decades later. Most speculate on social and political effects of new technology. 2001.

New Stories from the South: The Year's Best, 2003 RC 56863
edited by Shannon Ravenel
read by Ray Childs
3 cassettes
Eighteenth annual collection of southern short stories, with a preface by Roy Blount Jr. In "Rich People," by Lucy Corin, a young woman visiting friends discovers paté in their refrigerator. In Steve Almond's "The Soul Molecule," the narrator meets a former college friend who has a bullet in his head. Some strong language. 2003.

Taming the Scotsman RC 56897
by Kinley MacGregor
read by Corrie James
2 cassettes
Eleanor "Nora" Alexander seeks out Ewan MacAllister, a man her father fears, as her means of escaping from Scotland and an arranged marriage. Ewan agrees to take Nora to England and unexpectedly falls in love with the troublesome young lady. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2003.

Wild Magic: Fool's Gold, Book 2 RC 56905
by Jude Fisher
read by MaryBeth Wise
4 cassettes
Following a disaster at the Allfair, the lands of Eyra and Istria are verging on war as magic slowly awakens. Confronting their destinies are swordmaker Katla Aransen and Rosa Eldi, who is ignorant of her true identity. Sequel to *Sorcery Rising (RC 54832)*. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some violence. 2003.

First Rider's Call: Green Rider, Book 2 RC 56909
by Kristen Britain
read by Annie Wauters
4 cassettes
After helping save King Zachary's throne, Green Rider Karigan G'ladheon wants to resume her old life. However, with Riders dying out she is recalled to duty by Lil Ambriodhe, dead for a millennium, who had founded the Riders. Sequel to *Green Rider (RC 56903)*. For senior high and older readers. 2003.

Reinhart in Love RC 57045
by Thomas Berger
read by Mark Ashby
3 cassettes
Twenty-one-year-old overweight ex-corporal Carlo Reinhart leaves the army's psycho ward and returns home, where he is confronted with the new terrors of civilian life in postwar America. His parents, various money-making schemes, and fumbling encounters with the opposite sex wreak havoc with his abraded sensitivities. Sequel to *Crazy in Berlin (RC 57041)*. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1962.

The Pursuit: The English Garden, Book 4 RC 57061
by Lori Wick
read by Vanessa Maroney
2 cassettes
1813. Edward Steele's voyage home to Collingbourne from Africa is delayed when he comes to the aid of two fellow passengers. Edward soon discovers one is a woman on the run to

protect her children. Sequel to *The Visitor (RC 57052)*. 2003.

The Mangrove Coast RC 57067
by Randy Wayne White
read by Michael Russoto
2 cassettes
Marine biologist and former intelligence agent Doc Ford, of Sanibel Island, Florida, is enlisted by a late friend's daughter to find her mother. Gail Richardson has disappeared with her creepy psychotic lover. Doc traces the pair to Panama and finds that Gail is a virtual prisoner. Violence and strong language. 1998.

Enough Rope: Collected Stories RC 57078
by Lawrence Block
read by Roy Avers
8 cassettes
Eighty-four short stories that span five decades of the mystery writer's work and incorporate series characters from his novels including Chip Harrison, Martin Ehrengraf, Matthew Scudder, Bernie Rhodenbarr, and J.P. Keller. Also contains independent tales of suspense. Some violence and some strong language. 1999.

Golden Buddha RC 57099
by Clive Cussler and Craig Dirgo
read by Mark Ashby
2 cassettes
Juan Cabrillo and the crew of the *Oregon*, the state-of-the-art vessel disguised as a freighter in *Flood Tide (RC 45276)*, are assigned to return control of Tibet to the Dalai Lama by making deals with the Chinese and the Russians. The mission depends on locating an ancient golden Buddha. Bestseller. 2003.

Trading in Danger: Vatta's War, Book 1 RC 57103
by Elizabeth Moon
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
Kylara Vatta is expelled from a military academy for a seemingly small indiscretion. To rebuild her self-confidence, her father sends her on a mission to command the scrapyard-bound cargo ship *Glennys Jones*. As captain, she expands the mission and finds herself in the middle of a space war. Bestseller. 2003.

Foul Matter RC 57107
by Martha Grimes
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Bestselling novelist Paul Giverney agrees to sign with a new publisher if it drops respected author Ned Isaly. Publishing house president Bobby Mackenzie instead hires two hit men, Candy and Karl, to bump off Ned. But the assassins have second thoughts after investigating whether their target deserves to die. Strong language. 2003.

The Conspiracy Club RC 57112
by Jonathan Kellerman
read by Christopher Walker
2 cassettes
Psychotherapist Jeremy Carrier's romance with nurse Jocelyn Banks is cut short by her kidnapping and brutal murder. Considered a suspect, Jeremy is compelled by another killing, an enigmatic colleague, and a series of anonymous clues to find the culprit.

Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2003.

Capital Crimes RC 57122
by Stuart Woods
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
Following *The Run (RC 50093)*, former Georgia senator William Lee is now the U.S. president while his wife, Kate, heads the CIA. When ex-agent Ted Fay assassinates right-wing politicians, Lee names the FBI to handle the investigation and orders his wife to help. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 2003.

The Ice Maiden RC 57137
by Edna Buchanan
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Discovery of burglar's body reopens a fourteen-year-old rape and murder case. A survivor, an ice sculptor, lives in seclusion. *Miami News* reporter Britt Montero attempts to melt the Ice Maiden's chilly defenses before the crook's accomplices finish what they started. Violence, some descriptions of sex, and some strong language. 2002.

Legal Tender RC 57153
by Lisa Scottoline
read by Barbara Pinolini
2 cassettes
When Bennie Rosato's partner and ex-boyfriend, Mark Biscardi, is murdered after announcing his plans to dissolve their Philadelphia law firm, police suspect Bennie. Upon falling under suspicion for two more killings, Bennie becomes a fugitive in a desperate race to prove her innocence. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1996.

Shepherds Abiding: A Mitford Christmas Story RC 57174
by Jan Karon
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
This sequel to *In This Mountain (RC 54446, BR 14211)* centers on Reverend Kavanagh's restoration of an old créche. He transforms himself as he renews the decrepit set and as he interacts with the community: Hope at the bookstore, Andrew at the antiques shop, and the owners of the Main Street Grill. Bestseller. 2003.

Cry No More RC 57175
by Linda Howard
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Milla Boone's son is a few months old when he is snatched from her arms by a baby-smuggling ring. Ten years later Milla is still searching for him but now has help from James Diaz, who has his own agenda. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2003.

Shotgun Wedding RC 57176
by Maggie Osborne
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Annie Malloy is unwed, pregnant, and a "new modern woman" in an age of intolerance. The talk of the town and shame of her family, she cannot marry the outlaw father of her child. Instead she marries admirer Sheriff Jesse Harden, and her secrets return to haunt her. 2003.

Trojan Odyssey RC 57180
by Clive Cussler
read by Bob Askey
3 cassettes
After meeting their father for the first time in *Valhalla Rising (RC 52893)*, twins Summer and Dirk work for marine agency NUMA investigating a brown tide in the Caribbean, where they discover mysterious ancient relics. Meanwhile Dirk Sr. rushes to save a floating resort from a deadly hurricane. Some violence. Bestseller. 2003.

Junior's Leg RC 57211
by Ken Wells
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
Thirty-year-old, alcoholic, one-legged Junior Guidry–the schoolhouse bully of *Meely LaBauve (RC 51539)*–reluctantly agrees to help albino Iris Mary, on the run from the Mafia, when she stumbles on his trailer in a Louisiana swamp. The couple find both trouble and love. Explicit descriptions of sex, strong language, and some violence. 2001.

Emily and the Scot RC 57215
by Kathryn Smith
read by Vanessa Maroney
2 cassettes
Great Britain, 1819. Eighteen-year-old Lady Emily Fitzgerald flees the London social scene to avoid marriage. At her half-brother's estate in Scotland she meets Jamie MacLaughlin and reconsiders. For senior high readers. 2003.

Logan's Storm RC 57217
by Ken Wells
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
Logan, the father of *Meely LaBauve (RC 51539)*, escapes the clutches of the law in Louisiana and flees with Chilly Cox to Mississippi. Joined by Catfish Annie, Logan heads for Florida to work on an alligator farm, but a killer hurricane interferes. Some descriptions of sex and some violence. 2002.

The Bomb Vessel: A Nathaniel Drinkwater Novel, Book 4 RC 57221
by Richard Woodman
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
1801. In this sequel to *A Brig of War (RC 57220)*, Captain Drinkwater commands the *Virago*, an old ship sent to the Baltic as a bomb vessel. He would like to turn her back into a fighting vessel. In the process he takes aboard his fugitive brother, Edward. Some violence and some strong language. 1984.

The Corvette: A Nathaniel Drinkwater Novel, Book 5 RC 57222
by Richard Woodman
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
Promoted for his services during the Battle of Copenhagen, Drinkwater, from *The Bomb Vessel (RC 57221)*, is assigned to replace the wounded captain of the Arctic whaling fleet's escort vessel. When a ship is lost during the whale hunt, Drinkwater must confront treachery and danger. Strong language and some violence. 1985.

Baltic Mission: A Nathaniel Drinkwater Novel, Book 7 RC 57224
by Richard Woodman
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *1805 (RC 57223)*, Captain Drinkwater is ordered to the Baltic Sea as Napoleon extends his grip on Europe. Commanding the *Antigone*, Drinkwater deals with a discontented crew and a drunk lieutenant. Then an intercepted message puts him on a course to again face his nemesis, Santhonax. Strong language and some violence. 1988.

The Keys of the Kingdom RC 57245
by A.J. Cronin
read by Gary Tipton
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Father Francis Chisholm, a Scottish priest, becomes a missionary in a remote Chinese village in 1902, where he labors for thirty-six years. His story is full of devotion, struggle, love, and adventure. 1941.

Cryptonomicon RC 57249
by Neal Stephenson
read by Richard Hauenstein
8 cassettes
Epic tale of World War II, cryptography, and high-tech finance. Lawrence Pritchard Waterhouse, mathematical genius and Allied codebreaker, joins other individuals in clandestine encryption operations. Years later, those secrets could liberate or destroy the cybertech revolution. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Locus Award. 1999.

Windy City Dying RC 57253
by Eleanor Taylor Bland
read by MaryBeth Wise
2 cassettes
Chicago. After thirteen years, Adrian Quinn is out of prison and out for revenge, targeting the loved ones of those who convicted him, including African American detective Marti MacAlister. With the death toll rising, MacAlister investigates, and troubled children she once counseled provide clues. Violence and some strong language. 2002.

The Amethyst Heart RC 57263
by Penelope J. Stokes
read by Terry Hayes Sales
3 cassettes
Ninety-three-year-old Miss Amethyst Noble lives in the Mississippi ancestral home her grandfather built–a symbol of her family's heritage–and resists her cash-poor son's plan to sell the property and move her out. Miss Amethyst relates the history of Noble House to her difficult teenage great-granddaughter, hoping to pass the legacy to her instead. 2000.

Prize Stories 2003: The O. Henry Awards RC 57264
edited by Laura Furman
read by Fred Major
3 cassettes
Anthology of twenty pieces of North American short fiction that describe the human condition–love, war, repression, and life-changing moments. Includes Anthony Doerr's "The Shell Collector," Denis Johnson's "Train Dreams," and selections by T. Coraghessan Boyle, Marjorie Kemper,

and A.S. Byatt. Some strong language. 2003.

Night Blooming: From the Chronicles of Saint-Germain RC 57273
by Chelsea Quinn Yarbro
read by Fred Major
4 cassettes
A.D. 796. Gynethe Mehaut, an albino woman, is believed to be possessed by demons. When vampire Hiernom Rakoczy de Santus Germainius is ordered to accompany Gynethe to a papal hearing in Rome, passion ignites between these two night-dwellers. But in trying to save Gynethe, Rakoczy may damn her soul forever. 2002.

Killer.app RC 57281
by Barbara D'Amato
read by Sharon Murray
2 cassettes
A high-tech thriller. When her cyber-savvy sister, Sheryl Birch, winds up in a coma after a mysterious accident, Chicago cop Susannah Figueroa investigates. She suspects the mishap and certain murders may be linked to the secret database Sheryl discovered while working at megacorporation SJR DataSystems. Violence and some strong language. 1996.

Dead Aim RC 57283
by Thomas Perry
read by Jack Fox
3 cassettes
Relaxing at the beach, Santa Barbara multimillionaire Robert Mallon averts tragedy by saving a beautiful woman from drowning herself. Days later when she succeeds in ending her life, Mallon investigates the woman–only to become the target of an assassin. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2002.

Blood of the Mountain Man: The Mountain Man, Book 11 RC 57288
by William W. Johnstone
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Gunfighter Smoke Jensen inherits the Montana estate of his deceased sister Janey, a prominent "businesswoman." Smoke rides north to the isolated mining town and meets his young niece, Jenny, who's been harassed by men who want her land. Smoke's wife Sally arrives in time to help Jenny learn to shoot. 1992.

The Hornet's Nest: A Novel of the Revolutionary War RC 57352
by Jimmy Carter
read by Erik Sandvold
4 cassettes
Former president's first novel. Philadelphia Quakers Ethan and Epsey Pratt move to North Carolina, where they homestead until political troubles brew between the Regulators and the British. Relocating to Georgia in 1771 they develop local friendships with both Indians and settlers. Ethan joins the militia despite his religious beliefs. Bestseller. 2003.

Wolves of the Calla: The Dark Tower, Volume 5 RC 57355
by Stephen King
read by Fred Major
5 cassettes
Sequel to *Wizard and Glass (RC 45159)*. Roland and his companions continue their quest to the Dark Tower. In the village of Calla Bryn

Sturgis, they meet disgraced priest Father Callahan who asks for help against the kidnapping wolves. Descriptions of sex, violence, and strong language. Bestseller. 2003.

Omega RC 57357
by Jack McDevitt
read by Erin Jones
3 cassettes
A vast system of deadly energy (an omega cloud) sweeping toward Earth (but still 900 years away) changes course and threatens another closer planet inhabited by a fledgling humanoid society. Priscilla "Hutch" Hutchins coordinates Earth's urgent rescue mission while attempting to conceal it from the aliens. Sequel to *Chindi (RC 54848)*. 2003.

The Lady Chosen RC 57359
by Stephanie Laurens
read by Vanessa Maroney
3 cassettes
England, 1815. Tristan Wemyss, earl of Trentham and member of the fledgling Bastion Club, must marry within the year to claim his inheritance. When a burglar threatens his lovely neighbor, Leonora Carling, Tristan gladly offers his services. Precedes *A Gentleman's Honor (RC 57742)*. Explicit descriptions of sex. 2003.

No Angel RC 57360
by Penny Vincenzi
read by Gabriella Cavallero
5 cassettes
Heedless of the constraints on women at the turn of the century, Celia schemes to have both a family and a job at her husband's London publishing firm. Her successes mount while she deals with World War I, women's suffrage, and a new love. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2000.

Love Me RC 57363
by Garrison Keillor
read by John Lescault
2 cassettes
When bestselling first-time novelist Larry Wyler is offered a job at the *New Yorker*, he leaves Minnesota for New York City while his wife remains behind. But Larry suffers writer's block and his second book bombs. Perhaps writing an advice column back home is the answer. Some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller. 2003.

Balance of Power RC 57366
by Richard North Patterson
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
4 cassettes
The wedding of U.S. president Kerry Kilcannon of *Protect and Defend (RC 51353)* and journalist Lara Costello leads to tragedy when Lara's sister Joan and others are gunned down by Joan's abusive husband. Kilcannon's subsequent efforts to eradicate gun violence pit him against Washington's powerful gun lobby. Some violence. 2003.

Dragon's Kin RC 57368
by Anne McCaffrey and Todd McCaffrey
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Mining is the life of Camp Natalon but it also took young Kindan's family and the watch-wher dragon that protected them. Kindan's newfound musical talent is sidelined while he raises another

watch-wher and, with the help of his friend Nuella, assumes a new role in the community. 2003.

Letter from Home RC 57369
by Carolyn Hart
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Gretchen Gilman receives a letter prompting a flood of memories from her girlhood when a friend's mother was murdered. It's World War II, and Gretchen, a thirteen-year-old cub reporter for the town paper, seeks the truth and loses her innocence. Now, fifty years later, the truth finds her. 2003.

Monstrous Regiment: A Novel of Discworld RC 57370
by Terry Pratchett
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Since Polly's brother, Paul, joined the Borogravian army she has run her family's inn, but without a male heir she stands to lose it. So she enlists disguised as "Oliver" and alongside a vampire, a zombie, and a troll tries to find Paul while they fight a war. Some violence. 2003.

When a Texan Gambles RC 57371
by Jodi Thomas
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Sarah Andrews is married to Sam Gatlin in a "wife lottery." Days later when Sarah discovers Sam stabbed in the back, they must get out of town fast. Together they embark on adventures involving violence and romantic discovery. Sequel to *The Texan's Wager (RC 57747)*. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2003.

The Amateur Marriage RC 57373
by Anne Tyler
read by Margaret Strom
3 cassettes
Baltimore residents Michael Anton and Pauline Barclay fall in love at first sight at the start of World War II and marry impulsively. Remaining completely incompatible despite increasing prosperity, they spend the next five decades making themselves, and their three children, miserable. Bestseller. 2004.

The Fortress of Solitude RC 57374
by Jonathan Lethem
read by Gary Telles
5 cassettes
Brooklyn, 1970s. Dylan Ebdus, who is white, moves into a black neighborhood where he becomes the victim of bullies. His only friend is neighbor Mingus Rude, an African American his own age. Growing up over the next few decades the two choose different lifestyles. Strong language and some violence. Bestseller. 2003.

The Cat Who Talked Turkey RC 57377
by Lilian Jackson Braun
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette
A dead body found on his property slightly dims Moose County columnist Jim "Qwill" Qwilleran's excitement over a new bookstore and a neighboring town's upcoming bicentennial. After wild turkeys, rare for the area, suddenly appear, Qwill looks to his

clairvoyant cat, Koko, for answers. Bestseller. 2004.

The Indian Lover RC 57391
by Garth Murphy
read by Ted Stoddard
4 cassettes
Easterner Bill Marshall travels to California–still owned by Mexico in the 1840s–to seek his fortune. He is persuaded by his Indian friend Pablo to marry Falling Star, the daughter of a chief. Bill lives among her people and becomes involved in their struggles. Some descriptions of sex. 2002.

The Bottoms RC 57393
by Joe R. Lansdale
read by David Toney
2 cassettes
East Texas, 1930s. Young Harry Collins and his sister discover the body of a brutally murdered African American woman in a riverbed. When their father, a constable, investigates a string of killings, local racial tensions hinder him. Strong language and some violence. Edgar Allan Poe Award. 2000.

The Bride of Willow Creek RC 57398
by Maggie Osborne
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Angelina Bertoli, separated for ten years from prospector Sam Holland, hunts him down for a divorce. To her surprise, he has children, one of whom needs surgery. Financial difficulties force them together into the family life that may be all they ever wanted. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2001.

Utopia RC 57401
by Lincoln Child
read by Michael Scherer
3 cassettes
The robotic attractions at Nevada's high-tech Utopia theme park turn violent, endangering the lives of visitors. Andrew Warne, designer of the computer system that controls the robots, is summoned to help uncover the sinister truth by the park manager–his ex-girlfriend, Sarah Boatwright. Some violence and some strong language. 2002.

Girlfriends RC 57406
by Anita Bunkley and
Sandra Kitt
read by Kimberly Schraf
2 cassettes
Three novellas describing the bonds between professional African American women facing life's trials. In Sandra Kitt's "The Heart of the Matter," tragedy reunites Katherine and Danika after nearly fifteen years. Friendships are also tested in Anita Bunkley's "At the End of the Day" and Eva Rutland's "Choices." Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1999.

Pride of Kings RC 57407
by Judith Tarr
read by Corrie James
4 cassettes
When England's King Richard embraces Christianity and refuses the crown of pagan magic, the walls between realms fall in this twelfth-century medieval fantasy. Meanwhile, his brother John–aided by an exotic half-spirit youth–plots to mend the rift and take his throne. Explicit descriptions of sex and some violence. 2001.

Naughty Marietta RC 57409
by Nan Ryan
read by Colleen Delany
2 cassettes
Texas. Cole Heflin is about to be hanged when his life is saved by Maxwell Lacey, a dying man who wants to see his granddaughter just one time. In return, Cole is to travel to Colorado and bring back Marietta, an aspiring opera singer. Unfortunately Cole is forced to kidnap her. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2003.

The Coldest Winter Ever RC 57412
by Sister Souljah
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Gritty portrayal of the coming-of-age of Winter Santiaga, born in 1977 to a fourteen-year-old mother and a drug-dealing father in Brooklyn's projects. The family's lavish lifestyle falls apart when Winter's mother is shot and her father is imprisoned, sending Winter to the streets. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1999.

To the Bone RC 57413
by Neil McMahon
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
San Francisco emergency room doctor Carroll Monks fails to save actress Eden Hale who had a breast augmentation operation hours earlier. Facing a malpractice lawsuit, Monks makes inquiries and learns that other patients of Hale's cosmetic-surgeon guru have ended up dead. Explicit descriptions of sex, strong language, and some violence. 2003.

Lunch at the Piccadilly RC 57416
by Clyde Edgerton
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
Bachelor Carl Turnage visits his favorite aunt during her convalescence at a North Carolina nursing home. But Aunt Lil and some friends there crave adventure and find it when they steal a car. Meanwhile Carl joins a preacher's band at the home and attempts romance with a social worker. Some strong language. 2003.

A Sudden Wild Magic RC 57417
by Diana Wynne Jones
read by Corrie James
3 cassettes
Planet Earth suffers a series of environmental catastrophes that are caused by Arth, a parallel parasitic world. Hoping to prevent more problems, a group of benevolent witches board a modified bus and head for Arth. They aim to disrupt plans by infiltrating the celibate male society. Some descriptions of sex. 1992.

Face RC 57424
by Benjamin Zephaniah
read by David Cutler
1 cassette
British teen Martin Turner is injured in a car accident that disfigures his face. After convalescing, Martin returns to school and, with the help of his parents and gymnastics teammates, accepts the changes in his life–including benighted social attitudes about looking different. For junior and senior high readers. 1999.

Got to Be Real: Four Original Love Stories RC 57430
by E. Lynn Harris and
Marcus Major
read by Richard Hauenstein
3 cassettes
Short romances by four contemporary African American male authors. In "Kenya and Amir," ladies' man Amir fights for the only woman he ever loved. Also included is "Money Can't Buy Me Love" by E. Lynn Harris, author of *A Love of My Own (RC 54842)*. Explicit descriptions of sex and strong language. 2000.

White Doves at Morning RC 57442
by James Lee Burke
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
In 1861, Willie Burke, a young, hot-tempered Irishman, reluctantly joins the Confederate army. Meanwhile his abolitionist friend, Abigail Dowling, continues her dangerous struggle in Louisiana to free slaves–including beautiful Flower Jamison, whom Willie secretly taught to read and write. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2002.

Deception on All Accounts RC 57448
by Sara Sue Hoklotubbe
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Part-Cherokee Sadie Walela has reached a good point in her life. She now has a farm, a rising position at a bank, and a new romance. All this changes when the bank is robbed and a colleague murdered, and Sadie becomes a primary suspect. Some violence. 2003.

Prelude: American Anthem, Book 1 RC 57449
by B.J. Hoff
read by Janis Gray
2 cassettes
Three immigrant families find evangelism and opportunity in late-nineteenth-century America. Young Susanna Fallon, having come to New York to care for her niece, distrusts her deceased sister's husband–a brilliant, blind composer. A Scottish physician contemplates his practice, and a poor Irish family journeys across the Atlantic. Followed by *Cadence (RC 59179)*. 2002.

Rhapsody RC 57450
by Felicia Mason
read by Sharon Murray
2 cassettes
College sweethearts William Buster Dixon, an African American songwriter, and Dr. Lenore Foxwood are reunited at the reading of a friend's will. To collect her million-dollar inheritance, Lenore must spend one week living with Billy, who broke her heart fifteen years earlier. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1997.

Hotspur RC 57451
by Rita Mae Brown
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
A body is found on land used by the Jefferson Hunt Club in Virginia. Jane "Sister" Arnold, the hunt master from *Outfoxed (RC 50586)*, surreptitiously investigates the club's members when

the corpse is identified as a young flirt who disappeared with her boyfriend twenty-one years earlier. Some strong language. 2002.

Don't Turn Your Back on the Ocean: A Jeri Howard Mystery RC 57452
by Janet Dawson
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
While visiting her family in Monterey, California, Oakland private detective Jeri Howard learns about pelican mutilations, ocean dumping, sabotage at her mother's upscale restaurant, and a murder accusation leveled at her cousin Bobby. Investigating, Jeri suspects these events are linked–and uncovers still more crimes. Some violence and some strong language. 1994.

No Crystal Stair RC 57455
by Eva Rutland
read by Jill Fox
3 cassettes
Semiautobiographical novel about African American Ann Elizabeth Carter, who grows up in a privileged Atlanta neighborhood and whose life changes when she marries Californian Robert Metcalf, a lieutenant with the Tuskegee Airmen. They face many challenges that include a world war and the civil rights movement. Some strong language. 2000.

The Kite Runner RC 57457
by Khaled Hosseini
read by Richard Hauenstein
3 cassettes
An Afghan in California recalls a fateful 1975 day in Kabul that seared his soul at age twelve–the day he won a kite tournament and abandoned a younger companion to rape. That cowardice keeps haunting him during exile in America until the opportunity for atonement arises–back in Taliban-controlled Afghanistan. Violence and some strong language. 2003.

Death at the Spring Plant Sale: A Gardening Mystery RC 57460
by Ann Ripley
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
At her friend Emily Holley's insistence, PBS television gardener and amateur sleuth Louise Eldridge attends the spring plant sale of a Washington, D.C., area garden club. Louise had hoped to film some beautiful floral footage, but instead ends up investigating the murder of the club's president. Some violence. 2003.

The Christmas Garden Affair: A Gardening Mystery RC 57461
by Ann Ripley
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
PBS television gardener and occasional crime-solver Louise Eldridge is losing ratings to her sexy cable TV rival Bunny Bainfield. They finally meet at a Christmas season gardening conference hosted by the incoming first lady. When Bunny is murdered at the shindig, Louise becomes a suspect and decides to investigate. Some strong language. 2002.

Gone Tomorrow: A Bill Slider Mystery RC 57462
by Cynthia Harrod-Eagles
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
In a London park near Shepherd's Bush, a groundskeeper finds a well-dressed man's body–stabbed in the heart, sitting on a swing, carrying a stack of cash but no identification. To investigate, Detective Inspector Bill Slider takes to the streets while struggling with his assorted personal relationships. Some violence and some strong language. 2001.

Cold Day in July RC 57468
by Stella Cameron
read by Jill Fox
3 cassettes
Marc Girard fears that a recently discovered body may be his estranged sister. Returning to his sleepy Louisiana hometown, he persuades a former girlfriend, Dr. Reb O'Brien, to help him investigate. They form a dangerous team, convinced the death was not accidental. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2002.

Stone Cold: A Jesse Stone Novel RC 57469
by Robert B. Parker
read by Richard Hauenstein
2 cassettes
A pair of sadistic serial killers set their sights on small-town Massachusetts police chief Jesse Stone. Jesse stalks his stalkers while he also deals with three rapists, his own drinking, and his ex-wife. Strong language, some descriptions of sex, and some violence. 2003.

Beyond the Gathering Storm RC 57470
by Janette Oke
read by Janis Gray
2 cassettes
Christine and Henry Delaney, adopted siblings and devoted Christians, remain close when faced with matters of the heart. Henry, in the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, is overwhelmed by compassion for a widowed young mother. Christine has feelings for her new boss's son. Sequel to *When Hope Springs New (RC 26777)*. 2000.

The Altman Code RC 57481
by Robert Ludlum and Gayle Lynds
read by Bob Askey
3 cassettes
When U.S. president Samuel Castilla learns that a Chinese freighter carrying weapons-making chemicals is headed for Iraq, he wants proof before inciting an international incident. Covert-One agent Jon Smith goes to work as Castilla also copes with news that China holds a prisoner claiming to be his long-lost father. Some violence. 2003.

Blue Horizon RC 57491
by Wilbur Smith
read by David Hartley-Margolin
6 cassettes
Southern Africa, eighteenth century. In this sequel to *Monsoon (RC 49786)*, cousins Jim and Mansur Courtney continue trading throughout the continent in their fathers' footsteps. When Jim spies Louisa Leuven, a beautiful Dutch

convict aboard a slave ship, he sets out to rescue her. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some violence. 2003.

Chapel Noir RC 57499
by Carole Nelson Douglas
read by Lisette Lecat
4 cassettes
Paris, 1889. Irene Adler and her sidekick Nell assist police when two courtesans are murdered in an upscale brothel. The killings resemble Jack the Ripper's gruesome crimes in London, investigated earlier by rival detective Sherlock Holmes. He joins the Paris inquiry, continuing the war of wits from *Irene's Last Waltz (RC 42996)*. Some violence. 2001.

The High Price of a Good Man RC 57505
by Debra Phillips
read by Lizan Mitchell
2 cassettes
Twenty-eight-year-old Queenisha Renae Sutton is a confident African American refusing to let her quest for the perfect man interfere with life. Queenie's search could end at a charity's date auction, where she buys herself one night with celebrity look-alike Zeke Washington. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2003.

Mary, Queen of France RC 57508
by Jean Plaidy
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Thistle and the Rose (RC 53989)*, Mary Tudor becomes Queen of France through an arrangement between her brother, Henry VIII, and the King of France. To the chagrin of her matchmakers, the passions of this spirited, beautiful, strong-willed woman rest elsewhere. 1964.

About Adam RC 57515
by Stella Cameron
read by Erik Sandvold
3 cassettes
London, 1824. Princess Desirée returns to Mayfair Square determined to show Adam Chillworth she is no longer a child, but the portrait artist again denies her passion. As Desirée works to win Adam's love, enemies from his secretive past resurface, endangering them both. Explicit descriptions of sex and some violence. 2003.

Family Affairs RC 57540
by Sandra Kitt
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
African American gallery owner Gayla dislikes the new exhibit, especially when she recognizes its artist, ex-con Dak, a streetwise kid Gayla's mother raised as her own. Despite having success and a loving boyfriend, Gayla is drawn into an intense encounter with her past. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1999.

How I Fell in Love and Learned to Shoot Free Throws RC 57541
by Jon Ripslinger
read by Christopher Walker
1 cassette
Seventeen-year-old Danny Henderson, a lousy basketball player, has a crush on Angel McPherson, star of the girls' team in their high school. Angel helps Danny with his game, but her embarrassment about her family life causes

problems in their relationship. Some strong language. For senior high readers. 2003.

Waxwings RC 57546
by Jonathan Raban
read by Michael Russotto
3 cassettes
Seattle. By all outward appearances, Hungarian-born Englishman Tom Janeway–professor, NPR commentator, husband, and father–has been living the American dream for eight years. "Chick," an illegal alien recently arrived from China, is just beginning to make his own way. When circumstances bring the two immigrants together, they forge a friendship. Strong language. 2003.

Naked Lunch RC 57547
by William S. Burroughs
read by Gary Telles
3 cassettes
Graphic, postmodern satire depicting a world of drug addicts, narcotics police, ward psychologists, and sex through the altered perceptions of a delirious junkie. New edition with some passages restored from Burroughs's original manuscript published in 1959 but omitted in later editions. Explicit descriptions of sex, strong language, and some violence. 2001.

Martinis and Mayhem RC 57551
by Donald Bain
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
On a San Francisco publicity tour, mystery writer Jessica Fletcher visits a women's prison and encounters inmate Kimberly Steffer, a children's book author convicted of murdering her husband. After reading Kimberly's diary, Jessica doubts her guilt. With help from Scotland Yard inspector George Sutherland, a potential romantic interest, Jessica offers her sleuthing services. 1995.

The Earth, My Butt, and Other Big Round Things RC 57557
by Carolyn Mackler
read by Colleen Delany
2 cassettes
Chubby fifteen-year-old Virginia of New York City is pressured by her family to look better. With help from her best friend, her first boyfriend, and a teacher, she overcomes her insecurities and asserts her personality. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. For senior high readers. 2003.

Cry, the Beloved Country RC 57559
by Alan Paton
read by David Toney
2 cassettes (Reissue)
The classic story of Zulu pastor Stephen Kumalo's search for his delinquent son, Absalom, in 1940s Johannesburg, South Africa. Kumalo's experiences are set against a background of a land and people struggling not only with overwhelming racial injustice but also with disintegration of tribal culture and traditional family bonds. 1948.

West of the Jordan RC 57565
by Laila Halaby
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Four Palestine-born female cousins experience individual problems growing up. Mawal stays in the Middle East

following a traditional lifestyle. Soraya and Khadija, emigrés in California, are torn between cultures. Hala lives in Arizona but falls in love in Jordan. Strong language. For senior high and older readers. 2003.

Mermaids on the Moon RC 57566
by Elizabeth Stuckey-French
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
From a small town in Indiana, France goes to Mermaid Springs, Florida, in search of her missing mother, Grendy, a synchronized swimmer. In the process, France discovers truths about her family, her mother's colorful circle of friends, and herself. 2002.

Everglades RC 57575
by Randy Wayne White
read by Michael Russotto
2 cassettes
Sally Minster turns to her former lover, marine biologist Doc Ford, for help after her real-estate developer husband, Geoff, disappears. Doc investigates Geoff's shady dealings in the Florida Everglades with a religious cult guru, whose schemes threaten Doc's friends and the area's ecology. Strong language, some descriptions of sex, and some violence. 2003.

A Palette for Murder RC 57576
by Donald Bain
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
Vacationing with friends in the idyllic Hamptons, mystery writer Jessica Fletcher gives in to her secret passion and takes a painting class. The foray turns deadly when a young nude model dies suddenly. Jessica investigates and discovers a possible connection to the deaths of an artist and, more recently, a reporter. 1996.

A Little Yuletide Murder RC 57577
by Donald Bain
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
Mystery writer Jessica Fletcher is in Cabot Cove for the holidays when local farmer Rory Brent, who plays Santa Claus, is found murdered. Rumor points to Jake Walther as the main suspect. Jessica, concerned by the rush to judgment, investigates the case in time for the upcoming Christmas festival. 1998.

The Lady and the Unicorn RC 57587
by Tracy Chevalier
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
Paris, 1490. Handsome, seductive painter Nicolas des Innocents is commissioned to design tapestries by nobleman Jean Le Viste. As the intricate design of the unicorn weaving develops, so does romance between Nicolas and Jean's daughter, Claude. Some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller. 2004.

Only by Your Touch RC 57588
by Catherine Anderson
read by Sharon Murray
3 cassettes
Divorced from her abusive husband, Chloe Evans starts over with her son Jeremy in Jack Pine, Oregon. She hesitates to get involved with reclusive veterinarian and rumored murderer, Ben Longtree, who helps Jeremy's sick puppy. However, Ben is not the

man she should fear. Explicit descriptions of sex. 2003.

Absolute Friends RC 57589
by John Le Carré
read by Fred Major
3 cassettes
Unassuming Bavarian tour guide Ted Mundy is actually a retired British double agent. After September 11, 2001, old friend and former colleague Sasha contacts him with a new mission: to stop an impending war in Iraq and become very rich in the process. Strong language and some violence. Bestseller. 2003.

Marrying Mom RC 57595
by Olivia Goldsmith
read by Erin Jones
1 cassette
Fed up with Florida, saucy sixty-nine-year-old widow Phyllis Geronomous leaves for New York to join her grown children. When Susan, Bruce, and Sharon find out about her move, they concoct a plan to get her out of their hair by marrying her off to a rich old man. 1996.

Law of the Mountain Man: The Mountain Man, Book 5 RC 57600
by William W. Johnstone
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
With his wife and baby in Arizona, gunfighter Smoke Jensen feels the pull of the High Lonesome wilderness and unknowingly rides into a fierce Idaho range war. Forced to choose sides, Smoke agrees to help a family being bullied by Jud Vale and his gang–but first he must learn what's behind the harassment. 1989.

Vineyard Deceit: A Martha's Vineyard Mystery RC 57603
by Philip R. Craig
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
A Middle Eastern king and his entourage descend on the island to recover a stolen national treasure of emeralds. While ex-Boston cop Jeff "J.W." Jackson helps local police oversee the exchange, the jewels vanish, and so does Jackson's lady friend, Zee. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1992.

Sweet Hush RC 57604
by Deborah Smith
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Widowed young mother Hush McGillen's hard work has made her family's famed Georgia apple orchard prosper. Now her college student son brings home his new girlfriend, the U.S. president's daughter, and her entourage–with life-changing effects all around. Strong language, some explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. 2003.

The First Part Last RC 57618
by Angela Johnson
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
Sixteen-year-old Bobby's carefree teenage life changes forever when he becomes a father. After tragedy strikes, he must care for his adored baby daughter, Feather, by himself. Despite mistakes, Bobby's courage and love enable him to carry on with the aid of supportive adults and

friends. Strong language. For senior high readers. 2003.

Code of the Mountain Man: The Mountain Man, Book 8 RC 57620
by William W. Johnstone
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
The outlaws that shot up the town of Big Rock, Colorado, and put a bullet in Smoke Jensen's wife have made their last mistake. In the 1880s a man should leave justice to the law, but that doesn't stop Smoke from tracking the largest gang in the West. 1991.

New Spring: The Novel RC 57628
by Robert Jordan
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
Prequel to the Wheel of Time series. Sorceress initiate Moiraine journeys to find the infant prophesied to face the Dark One in the Last Battle. Her path crosses that of soldier Lan Mandragoran, who fights to avenge the desecrated city whose throne he inherited. Some violence. Bestseller. 2004.

3rd Degree RC 57633
by James Patterson and Andrew Gross
read by Carolyn McCormick
2 cassettes
The Women's Murder Club, last seen in *2nd Chance (RC 54159, BR 14209)*, reconvenes to stop domestic terrorist attacks in San Francisco. Detective Lindsay Boxer, lawyer Jill Bernhardt, physician Claire Washburn, and reporter Cindy Thomas assist Joe Molinari of Homeland Security, who falls for Lindsay. Violence and strong language. Bestseller. 2004.

The Early Stories, 1953-1975 RC 57642
by John Updike
read by Jim Zeiger
7 cassettes
More than one hundred short pieces originally published in the *New Yorker* and other magazines. Includes the Olinger and Tarbox sagas as well as "Pigeon Feathers," "The Family Meadow," and "The Witnesses." Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller. 2003.

McNally's Dare: An Archy McNally Novel by Vincent Lardo RC 57647
by Vincent Lardo
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Archy McNally delves into the private lives of the Palm Beach elite after the death of a young caterer. His inquiry raises suspicions about the victim's connections to a wealthy family and about a benefactor's true identity. 2003.

Blind Faith RC 57649
by Christiane Heggan
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Philadelphia investigative reporter Kelly Robolo looks into the disappearance of her best friend's husband, a vice president of Atlantic City's Chenonceau casino. Kelly hopes to join forces with hunky cop Nick McBride, whose father–also a worker at Chenonceau–met with foul play there. Some descriptions of sex and some violence. 2001.

Help Me Please RC 57650
by Barbara D'Amato
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Hours after the high-profile kidnapping of three-year-old Danni Gaston, a new web site appears on the Internet featuring live, twenty-four-hour images of the child being held in isolation. Chicago police detective Polly Kelly and the FBI race to find Danni and apprehend the cyber-terrorists who took her. Strong language. 1999.

The Best American Short Stories, 2003: Selected from U.S. and Canadian Magazines RC 57653
selected by Walter Mosley
read by Ken Kliban
4 cassettes
This collection features twenty stories exploring the extremes of human emotion. In Anthony Doerr's "The Shell Collector," a blind naturalist accidentally discovers the healing powers of a deadly snail. Also includes "Rationing" by Mary Yukari Waters, "Baby Wilson" by E.L. Doctorow, and works by Kevin Brockmeier, Edwidge Danticat, and others. 2003.

Something's Down There RC 57654
by Mickey Spillane
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
Former government agent Mako Hooker, spending his retirement fishing, is recalled to action when a sea creature nicknamed the "eater" attacks boats and old war mines resurface. A film company headed by a former mobster arrives to film the investigation. Some strong language. 2003.

Into the Inferno RC 57658
by Earl Emerson
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
Months after responding to a tractor trailer accident on the freeway, firefighters are dying. Jim Swope knows that he has only one week to live, and with the help of a victim's sister, he traces the illness to a chemical warehouse. Violence and strong language. 2003.

Freedom Land RC 57659
by Martin L. Marcus
read by Bill Quinn
2 cassettes
Everglades and South Georgia, 1835. Living in a Seminole Territory sanctuary called Freedom Land is a colony of escaped slaves known as Maroons. The U.S. Army arrives to return them to their former owners and is met with armed resistance by Chief Osceola and his allies. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2003.

Tai-Pan: A Novel of Hong Kong RC 57660
by James Clavell
read by Erik Sandvold
7 cassettes (Reissue)
Epic set in 1841 Hong Kong after England's victory in the first Opium War. Focuses on Dirk Struan–pirate, dope smuggler, and supreme ruler of the most powerful trading company in the Orient. Some violence. 1966.

The Night Caller RC 57662
by John Lutz
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Retired NYPD lieutenant "Coop" Cooper, whose cancer is in remission, suspects a serial killing when his and his ex-wife's daughter is murdered. Investigating similar deaths, Coop finds hope for justice, and perhaps love, when he meets Cara, whose sister also died. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2001.

The Valley of Horses RC 57663
by Jean M. Auel
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
4 cassettes (Reissue)
Ice Age heroine Ayla leaves her adoptive family and friends from *The Clan of the Cave Bear (RC 52680)* and sets out on her own. She reaches the Valley of Horses, where she rescues a young man from certain death and struggles against her growing attraction to him. Explicit descriptions of sex. 1982.

Mrs. Kimble RC 57665
by Jennifer Haigh
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Three women thought they had found the perfect man when they married Ken Kimble. First wife Birdie met the minister in the 1960s.
Thirty-nine-year-old Joan stole him away in 1969, and much younger Dinah snagged him a decade later. The Mrs. Kimbles eventually discover his lies. Descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2003.

The Bishop Goes to the University: A Blackie Ryan Mystery RC 57666
by Andrew M. Greeley
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Bishop Blackwood "Blackie" Ryan investigates the murder of a visiting Russian Orthodox monk in the monk's office at a southside Chicago university. Suspects include four other professors, but intelligence agents, foreign gangsters, and even the Vatican may be involved. 2003.

Time and Chance RC 57669
by Sharon Kay Penman
read by George Holmes
5 cassettes
England, 1156-1171. Following the events of *When Christ and His Saints Slept (RC 42212)*, King Henry II and his wife, Eleanor of Aquitaine, share passion and beget many children, including sons Richard and John. Trouble arises when Henry appoints his friend Thomas Becket to be Archbishop of Canterbury. 2002.

Snow Crash RC 57673
by Neal Stephenson
read by L.J. Ganser
4 cassettes
Hiro Protagonist, swordsman and freelance hacker, delivers pizzas for a Mafia-owned distributor until he loses his job. Broke and unemployed, Hiro visits the virtual-reality realm known as the Metaverse. There he encounters "snow crash," a computer virus and designer drug capable of destroying systems and users. Strong language. 1992.

Gloriana's Torch RC 57674
by Patricia Finney
read by Graeme Malcolm
3 cassettes
Britain, 1580s. Following *Unicorn's Blood (RC 47381, BR 11881)* English spy David Becket returns to Spain for information and to rescue colleague Simon Ames from the Inquisition. Ames's wife, Rebecca, and her African slave, Merula, complicate matters by traveling with him. Some strong language. 2003.

Custard's Last Stand: A Pennsylvania Dutch Mystery with Recipes RC 57676
by Tamar Myers
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Colonel Custard stays at Mennonite Magdalena Yoder's inn while planning to open a five-star resort in town. When she discovers the colonel's plot, Magdalena tries to prevent him from getting a zoning permit. As she protests at town hall, the colonel is found murdered–forcing her to investigate. 2003.

Mindspeakers' Call: The Ghatti's Tale, Book 2 RC 57677
by Gayle Greeno
read by Kristin Allison
4 cassettes
While the mindstealing Gleaners quietly build their powers, the Seekers work to prevent war between Canderis and Marchmont. On a more personal mission, Khar–a cat-like ghatti capable of mindspeech–salvages her bond with Seeker Doyce. Sequel to *Finders-Seekers (RC 40281)*. Some descriptions of sex and some violence. For senior high and older readers. 1994.

McNally's Chance: An Archy McNally Novel by Vincent Lardo RC 57679
by Vincent Lardo
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Archy McNally is hired by author Sabrina Wright to find her missing husband and daughter. His search, unsuspected at first, leads him once again into the lives of Palm Beach's wealthiest prestigious families and into Wright's carefully spun web of deceit. 2001.

Key of Valor: Key Trilogy, Book 3 RC 57681
by Nora Roberts
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
Following friends Malory and Dana, hairdresser Zoe McCourt has one month to find the third and final key to undo an ancient spell. Concerned, Bradley Vane vows to protect Zoe and her son. Sequel to *Key of Knowledge (RC 57678)*. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. Bestseller. 2004.

Old School RC 57703
by Tobias Wolff
read by Steven Carpenter
1 cassette
A scholarship student recounts his final year at a private school of strong literary, class, and honor traditions where growth and character are nurtured. An annual writing contest, sponsored in conjunction with a visiting celebrity author, is an academic highlight posing identity problems for the

young man. Some strong language. Bestseller. 2003.

Our Lady of the Forest RC 57721
by David Guterson
read by Mary Kane
3 cassettes
A sickly sixteen-year-old runaway living in a Washington state rain forest sees visions of the Virgin Mary. As the news spreads, Ann Holmes becomes a disciple of sorts while young priest Father Collins, unemployed logger Tom Cross and his paralyzed son, and others seek redemption. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 2003.

A Death in Vienna RC 57796
by Daniel Silva
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
A war-claims office bombing in Vienna prompts Israeli Mossad agent Gabriel Allon, now an art restorer, to investigate neo-Nazi Vogel. Allon, last seen in *The Confessor (RC 55724)*, also discovers that on the death march from Auschwitz his mother was tortured by camp supervisor Radek–now Ludwig Vogel. Violence and strong language. Bestseller. 2004.

Divided in Death RC 57938
by J.D. Robb
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
New York City, 2059. Detective Eve Dallas investigates a double homicide when her tycoon husband's trusted security specialist, Reva Ewing, is suspected of murdering her artist spouse and his mistress. A suspicious computer virus and more killings indicate a techno-terrorist attack. Explicit descriptions of sex, violence, and strong language. Bestseller. 2004.

Deception Point RC 57939
by Dan Brown
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
Just as NASA is targeted by presidential candidate Senator Sedgewick Sexton's budget investigations, the agency makes an astonishing discovery in the arctic ice. In verifying the news, White House intelligence liaison Rachel Sexton, the senator's daughter, uncovers evidence of scientific trickery. Some violence and some strong language. Bestseller. 2001.

Exiles' Return: The Ghatti's Tale, Book 3 RC 57941
by Gayle Greeno
read by Kristin Allison
4 cassettes
War is over, but unease grows between Canderis citizens and the mindreading Resonants. To save his people, Resonant Jenret Wycherley departs on a mission, leaving behind pregnant Doyce, who is researching the history of Seekers and their ghatti Bondmates. Sequel to *Mindspeakers' Call (RC 57677)*. Some violence. For senior high and older readers. 1995.

The Wandering Hill: The Berrybender Narratives, Book 2 RC 57942
by Larry McMurtry
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Continues an aristocratic English family's misadventures, begun in *Sin Killer (RC 54826)*, in the early 1830s American West. Abandoning their steamboat stuck in the icy river, the

Berrybender expedition members settle in for the winter at the trading post of Pierre Boisdeffre. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2003.

The Sherbrooke Twins RC 57945
by Catherine Coulter
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
England, 1830. The saga of the Sherbrookes continues with the tale of twins James and Jason. Having sown their wild oats, the brothers are ready to settle down. Tragically, before romance can blossom, someone tries to kill their father. Follows *Pendragon (RC 54043)*. Some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller. 2004.

Monsieur Pamplemousse Omnibus, Volume 2 RC 57946
by Michael Bond
read by Robert Blumenfeld
4 cassettes
Four novels featuring a French food critic, once a police inspector, and his dog, Pommes Frites. In *Monsieur Pamplemousse Takes the Cure* he heads for a spa to lose weight and discovers little old ladies dying off. Also includes *Monsieur Pamplemousse Aloft*, *Monsieur Pamplemousse Investigates*, and *Monsieur Pamplemousse Rests His Case*. 1987.

Resurrection Men: An Inspector Rebus Novel RC 57947
by Ian Rankin
read by Graeme Malcolm
3 cassettes
When insubordinate Edinburgh detective inspector John Rebus is sent to the police college for retraining, he is also recruited to obtain evidence of crimes by other troublemaking class members. The group researches a cold murder case that becomes entwined with a current investigation embroiling the suspected cops. Violence and strong language. 2002.

Evan Only Knows: A Constable Evans Mystery RC 57948
by Rhys Bowen
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
Constable Evan Evans and his fiancée, Bronwen, are visiting their families in South Wales when a gang member who murdered Evans's father years before is arrested for killing a young woman. When the accused pleads innocent, Evans embarks on the unsavory business of freeing him. Some strong language. 2003.

Parsley, Sage, Rosemary, and Crime: A Pennsylvania Dutch Mystery with Recipes RC 57950
by Tamar Myers
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Hollywood comes to Amish country with a film crew on location at Magdalena Yoder's Pennsylvania Dutch inn. But on the first day of shooting, the movie's assistant director is found dead in the barn–impaled by a pitchfork. The police chief suspects Magdalena, who then decides to solve the crime herself. 1995.

A New Beginning: The Journals of Corrie and Christopher, Book 2 RC 57955
by Michael Phillips
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
California, 1868. In this sequel to *The Braxtons of Miracle Springs (RC 55852)* newlyweds Corrie and Christopher shock their deeply religious families by deciding to move back east. Meanwhile Corrie's brother Zack becomes the new town sheriff. 1997.

Blue Skies RC 57957
by Catherine Anderson
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Carly Adams, born with lattice dystrophy, waited twenty-eight years to see. Celebrating her new vision with a friend at a bar, she meets Hank Coulter. Their brief encounter leaves her pregnant. Companion to *Phantom Waltz (RC 53982, BR 15334)*. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2004.

Reckless Abandon RC 57959
by Stuart Woods
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Cop-turned-lawyer Stone Barrington and Orchid City, Florida, police chief Holly Barker team up to capture a mass murderer who is safeguarded in the witness protection program. Barrington and Barker discover they have a strong attraction to each other and that the CIA is interested in the case. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2004.

The Other Daughter RC 57961
by Lisa Gardner
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
When twenty-nine-year-old Melanie Stokes, adopted at age nine by a Boston doctor whose first daughter was murdered, learns her real father was a serial killer, she resolves to find the connection between her birth parents and the family she thought she knew. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1999.

High Country RC 57964
by Nevada Barr
read by Lindsay Ellison
2 cassettes
Park ranger Anna Pigeon from *Flashback (RC 55511)* works undercover as a waitress at Yosemite National Park after four young employees mysteriously vanish. Frustrated with the investigation, Anna embarks on a rugged backcountry trek, finding a crashed plane, a drug cache, and angry gunmen. Strong language and some violence. 2004.

A New Leaf: A Cape Light Novel, Book 4 RC 57967
by Thomas Kinkade and Katherine Spencer
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *A Gathering Place (RC 57487)*, residents of a close-knit New England community confront new challenges. Divorced single mother Molly Willoughby is losing her faith in love–until the arrival of widower Dr. Matthew Harding.

Meanwhile, Reverend Ben Lewis helps policeman Tucker Tulley deal with an unwelcome visitor. 2004.

The Princess and the Pauper RC 57975
by Kate Brian
read by Gabra Zackman
2 cassettes
Sixteen-year-old Princess Carina of Vineland trades places with her look-alike, poverty-stricken Julia Johnson of Los Angeles, so Carina can have some freedom and attend a rock concert. But complications arise when it's time to end the impersonation. For junior and senior high readers. 2003.

Truth or Dare RC 57978
by Jayne Ann Krentz
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Arizona. Psychic interior designer Zoe of *Light in Shadow (RC 55520)* and her second husband, private investigator Ethan Truax, are settling into newlywed life when someone begins stalking Zoe and her friend Arcadia. Ethan uncovers suspects from their collective pasts. Explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2003.

Warrior Angel RC 57982
by Robert Lipsyte
read by L.J. Ganser
1 cassette
After winning the heavyweight championship in *The Chief (RC 57983)*, depressed boxer Sonny Bear loses interest in life. An unbalanced teen fan, who calls himself the "warrior angel," helps him set his priorities and continue his career. For junior and senior high readers. 2003.

The Chief RC 57983
by Robert Lipsyte
read by L.J. Ganser
1 cassette
In this sequel to *The Brave (RC 37362)*, boxer Sonny Bear continues his quest for victory with the encouragement of fledgling writer Martin Witherspoon. Meanwhile, Hollywood agents attempt to exploit Sonny as a Native American idol, and his uncle needs his help solving problems on the reservation. For junior and senior high readers. 1993.

Death of a Village RC 57984
by M.C. Beaton
read by Graeme Malcolm
1 cassette
Scottish constable Hamish Macbeth is avoiding a promotion, investigating local crimes, and arguing with pretty reporter Elspeth Grant as he patrols the seaside village of Stoyre. When it appears that the town is in the grip of a strange religious revival, Macbeth moves there to learn more. 2003.

The Edge of Doom RC 57985
by Amanda Cross
read by Barbara Caruso
2 cassettes
Professor Kate Fansler, having learned that elderly stranger Jay Smith is her biological father, is especially shocked when he disappears soon after meeting her. When Kate, her husband Reed, and her eldest brother, Laurence, investigate, they discover illegal and murky incidents in Jay's past. Some strong language. 2002.

The Burglar on the Prowl RC 57989
by Lawrence Block
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes
Bernie Rhodenbarr, New York bookseller and intrepid thief from *The Burglar in the Rye (RC 48926, BR 12534)*, is asked by a friend to rob a surgeon who stole the friend's mistress. Bernie's attempted heists implicate him in a triple homicide. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2004.

Can You Keep a Secret? RC 58052
by Sophie Kinsella
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
On a flight to London, Emma Corrigan shares her deepest secrets with a seatmate. After landing safely, Emma expects life to return to normal–but then she discovers the fellow traveler is none other than her "mega-boss," Jack Harper. He keeps finding reasons to cross Emma's path. Strong language. Bestseller. 2004.

Books for Children

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including animals, geography, nature, mystery, sports, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, contact your cooperating library.

Cassettes Nonfiction

What's Cooking? The History of American Food RC 54641
by Sylvia Whitman
read by Dave Corey
1 cassette
Discusses food and its packaging in the United States from colonial times to the end of the twentieth century. Describes what Americans have eaten, where it came from, and how it reflected events in American history. For grades 6-9. 2001.

The Pacific Coast RC 55155
by Maria Mudd Ruth
read by Gary Roan
1 cassette
Examines the coastal ecology and habitats found along the Pacific coast of North America from the arctic waters of Alaska to the tropical ones of Mexico. Includes two science experiments. For grades 5-8. 2001.

Don't Slurp Your Soup! A First Guide to Letter Writing, E-mail Etiquette, and Other Everyday Manners RC 56370
by Lynne Gibbs
read by Gracie Ragsdale Miller
1 cassette
Explains the everyday importance of good manners and the effect of politeness on other people. Gives examples

of etiquette for public and private situations: in stores, at the table, at parties, in adult company, with friends, and in the roles of good host and good sport. For grades 2-4. 2002.

How to Take the Grrrr Out of Anger RC 56389
by Elizabeth Verdick and Marjorie Lisovskis
read by Peter Lavezzoli
1 cassette
Discusses how to deal with angry feelings in acceptable ways. Contains practical advice on coping with stress, solving problems calmly, taming one's temper, and being alert to tension build-up. Includes tips on handling bullies and angry adults. For grades 4-7. 2003.

Zzz: The Most Interesting Book You'll Ever Read about Sleep RC 56392
by Trudee Romanek
read by Cyn Delafield
1 cassette
Explains the human body's need for sleep and the brain's functions during that time. Covers such topics as the body's clock, stages of sleep, and dreams. Presents information on famous persons' sleeping habits, animal sleep, and the loudest snore. Suggests experiments to determine needed hours of sleep. For grades 4-7. 2002.

Stock Market Smart RC 56396
by Eileen Nixon McGowan and Nancy Lagow Dumas
read by Miriam Wagner
1 cassette
Covers the basics of the stock market including different types of investments and the risks involved. Explains how to start a portfolio, prevent fraud, and track earnings or losses. For grades 5-8. 2002.

In a Backyard RC 56397
by Jen Green
read by Dave Corey
1 cassette
Introduces some of the types of animals that live in backyards and gardens throughout North America. Includes butterflies and ants, earthworms, birds and bats, squirrels and moles, and snakes and frogs, among others. For grades 2-4. 2002.

Hold Up the Sky: And Other Native American Tales from Texas and the Southern Plains RC 57441
retold by Jane Louise Curry
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
Twenty-six stories passed down through the generations from different tribes who inhabited the southwestern plains of the United States. Includes brief information about each of the fourteen Native American storytelling tribes represented in this collection. For grades 4-7. 2003.

Inside the Alamo RC 57612
by Jim Murphy
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
An overview of the struggle between the American settlers and Mexico's General Santa Anna for control of Texas. Describes the 1836 siege of the Alamo and provides biographical sketches of some of those involved in the battle, including Jim Bowie and Davy Crockett. For grades 5-8. 2003.

Ready, Set, Grow! A "What's Happening to My Body?" Book for Younger Girls RC 57622
by Lynda Madaras
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
Written for girls in elementary school, this volume discusses the approach of puberty including the physical and emotional changes that they can expect. Includes nutrition and skin care advice. Companion to *What's Happening to My Body? Book for Girls (RC 51806)*. For grades 4-7. 2003.

Animal Helpers for the Disabled RC 57627
by Deborah Kent
read by Patricia McDermott
1 cassette
Traces the history of guide and assistance dogs as well as other service animals such as horses and monkeys. Describes the training that enables them to help persons with physical disabilities. For grades 4-7. 2003.

Getting Down to Business RC 57713
by Lorraine Horsley
read by Michael Russotto
1 cassette
Introduction to money: how to earn, spend, save, and budget it. Recounts the evolution from bartering to systems of paper currency and credit cards. Topics range from allowances to the stock market. For grades 2-4. 2003.

The Life of Our Lord: Written for His Children during the Years 1846-1849 RC 57718
by Charles Dickens
read by David Cutler
1 cassette
Victorian novelist retells the life of Jesus Christ, adapted from the Gospel of St. Luke, for his children to enjoy every Christmas. 1999 introduction by his great-great-grandson, Gerald Charles Dickens. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1846.

I Face the Wind RC 57724
by Vicki Cobb
read by Colleen Delany
1 cassette
Introduces the characteristics and actions of the wind through simple hands-on activities that require adult assistance. For grades K-3. 2003.

Vote! RC 57844
by Eileen Christelow
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
Explains the election process in America by following the campaign of a candidate for mayor. Discusses political parties, issues important to voters, fund-raising, rallies, debates, polls, and even recounts, with commentary by wisecracking dogs providing additional facts. Also includes the history of voting rights. For grades 2-4 and older readers. 2003.

Makeup: Things to Make and Do RC 57954
by Jennifer Traig
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Explains beauty and skin basics, makeup techniques and tools, and different styles for teens. Provides recipes for making one's own lotions and creams. For grades 6-9. 2003.

Cassettes Fiction

Mummies in the Morning: Magic Tree House, Book 3 RC 52356
by Mary Pope Osborne
read by Gillian Green
1 cassette
On this visit to the magic tree house, Jack and his younger sister, Annie, travel to the land of pyramids–ancient Egypt. They help a royal mummy continue her voyage to the next life. For grades 2-4. 1993.

Thief of Dreams RC 56386
by Todd Strasser
read by Rick Wiseman
1 cassette
Eighth grade nerd Martin Hunter is neglected by his workaholic parents, who hire a therapist and a nanny for him. When his parents go to China for a month and his uncle Lawrence moves in, Martin discovers that Lawrence leads a secret life of crime. For grades 6-9. 2003.

Grasslands RC 56393
by Debra Seely
read by Peter Lavezzoli
1 cassette
Thomas Hunter has always wanted to live out west. When he moves from Virginia to Kansas in the 1880s to be with his father and new stepfamily, hard farm work awaits him before he meets any cowboys. For grades 5-8. 2002.

Stanley Yelnats' Survival Guide to Camp Green Lake RC 56532
by Louis Sachar
read by Bruce Nelson
1 cassette
Stanley offers advice on how to withstand a stint at a juvenile correction center like the one he was sentenced to in *Holes (RC 47444, BR 12174)*. Covers such dangers as scorpions, tarantulas, and rattlesnakes. Also includes survival quizzes to test decision-making skills. For grades 5-8. 2003.

A Mango-Shaped Space RC 56666
by Wendy Mass
read by Constance Crawford
2 cassettes
Eighth-grader Mia has been keeping a secret–even from her best friend, Jenna–ever since third grade, when she realized that not everyone sees a color for each name, number, and sound. Problems at school and her cat's death lead Mia to discoveries about herself and synesthesia. For grades 5-8. 2003.

Loamhedge RC 57097
by Brian Jacques
read by Brian Conn
3 cassettes
A group of adventurers from Redwall looking for the ancient abbey of Loamhedge seek a cure for haremaid Martha's paralysis. Meanwhile a band of vermin led by a rat named Raga Bol lay seige to Redwall in order to steal a magic scimitar. For grades 5-8. 2003.

Inkheart RC 57116
by Cornelia Funke
read by Annie Wauters
3 cassettes
Twelve-year-old Meggie lives with her father, Mo, a bookbinder. She discovers a terrible secret: nine years ago when Mo read aloud from a book the characters appeared in real life while her mother disappeared into the story. Mo's magic causes still more problems to solve. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 2003.

Eragon: Inheritance, Book 1 RC 57232
by Christopher Paolini
read by Bruce Huntey
3 cassettes
Fifteen-year-old Eragon bonds with the baby dragon, Saphira, that hatches from a mysterious blue stone. They train in magic and martial arts and, refusing to serve the evil king, sally forth to encounter warriors, dwarves, and others battling the empire. Some violence. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2003.

Colibrí RC 57425
by Ann Cameron
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Tzunun, a twelve-year-old Mayan girl kidnapped at age four by a man she calls "Uncle," wanders the Guatemalan countryside with him being pressured to beg, lie, and steal. Dependent and afraid to escape, Tzunun contemplates her individuality and morality with the encouragement of a fortune-teller. Some violence. For grades 6-9. 2003.

Dawn Rider RC 57464
by Jan Hudson
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
1730s. A young Blackfoot woman tames the first horse her tribe acquires. Forbidden to continue riding, Kit Fox nevertheless races for help when her clan is attacked. Companion to *Sweetgrass (RC 31532)*. For grades 5-8. 1990.

Horsemen of Terror: Left Behind–The Kids, Book 23 RC 57484
by Jerry B. Jenkins and
Tim LaHaye
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Escape from New Babylon (RC 57483)*, Judd's life changes forever as he is forced to endure a test from God all alone. At the schoolhouse, Vicki's worst fears are realized as the Global Community sets in motion a plan to trap believers. For grades 5-8. 2002.

The Bromeliad Trilogy: *Truckers*, *Diggers*, and *Wings* RC 57495
by Terry Pratchett
read by Kristin Allison
3 cassettes
Three stories about four-inch-high people called nomes who discover their true origin. In *Truckers*, they live in a department store until forced, in *Diggers*, to inhabit a rural quarry. In *Wings*, their leader learns they are from outer space and searches for the vehicle waiting to take them home. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Jingle Boy RC 57539
by Kieran Scott
read by Erik Synnestvedt
2 cassettes
Sixteen-year-old Paul Nicholas and his family go all out to celebrate Christmas. Then Paul loses his first girlfriend, his father is nearly electrocuted, and his mother is fired. So Paul becomes a Scrooge and joins the "Anti-Christmas Underground," until Santa changes his mind. For grades 6-9. 2003.

Turkey Monster Thanksgiving RC 57552
by Anne Warren Smith
read by Colleen Delany
1 cassette
Fourth grader Katie accidentally invites her teacher over for Thanksgiving dinner, even though Katie, her three-year-old brother, and their dad usually only watch football in their pajamas and eat pizza. The motherless household's cooking is a disaster but everyone still has fun. For grades 3-6. 2003.

Brundibar RC 57567
retold by Tony Kushner
read by Faith Potts
1 cassette
Aninku and Pepicek need milk for their sick mother. Brundibar sings for money in the village square but won't let the brother and sister earn a few coins, too. It takes the collective effort of many people to overcome the bully and help the children. Adapted from a 1938 concentration-camp opera. For grades 4-7. 2003.

The Dulcimer Boy RC 57569
by Tor Seidler
read by Erik Synnestvedt
1 cassette
New England, early twentieth century. Orphaned twins Jules and William are left as babies on their abusive aunt and uncle Carbuncle's doorstep. William teaches himself to play an inherited silver-stringed dulcimer while Jules is forced into drudgery. With help the two rediscover their past and escape. For grades 4-7. 1979.

The True Story of Christmas RC 57570
by Anne Fine
read by David Cutler
1 cassette
British schoolboy Ralph William Mountfield is sent to his room on Christmas Day. But Ralph may be glad to stay out of the way as hoards of eccentric relatives arrive, like Great-granny with her acerbic wit, soppy cousin Titania, and "destructo twins" Sylvia and Sylvester. For grades 4-7. 2003.

Shakespeare's Spy RC 57593
by Gary Blackwood
read by Gary Tipton
2 cassettes
London, 1602. Apprentice actor Widge from *Shakespeare's Scribe (RC 53579)* falls in love with the playwright's daughter while attempting to write his own script. Widge also goes undercover to find out who is stealing scripts from the theater. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 2003.

The Malted Falcon: From the Tattered Casebook of Chet Gecko, Private Eye RC 57596
by Bruce Hale
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Lizard detective Chet Gecko and his mockingbird partner, Natalie Attired, are hired to find a missing winning ticket for free dessert and also to retrieve a valentine. But will Chet's sweet tooth prevent him from doing his job? For grades 3-6. 2003.

Begging for Change RC 57601
by Sharon G. Flake
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
Teenaged Raspberry Hill, from *Money Hungry (RC 54516)*, wishes for a change in fortune. Her homeless, drug-addicted father shows up at the hospital after Raspberry's mother is attacked. Then Raspberry steals money from Zora, her best friend, and worries that she's inherited her father's lying, stealing ways. For grades 6-9. 2003.

Sparks RC 57608
by Graham McNamee
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
When Todd moves from a special needs class to the regular fifth grade, he endures teasing classmates and a doubting teacher while he misses his former best friend from Special Needs, Eva. An imaginative project earns him his first high grade. For grades 3-6. 2002.

Mosque RC 57716
by David Macaulay
read by Corrie James
1 cassette
The author of *Cathedral (RC 42501)* tells how a sixteenth-century Ottoman admiral hires an architect to build, near Istanbul, a large mosque, its associated religious college, a soup kitchen, and public baths, as well as the admiral's own tomb. For grades 5-8. 2003.

The Journal of Scott Pendleton Collins: A World War II Soldier RC 57729
by Walter Dean Myers
read by Michael Russotto
1 cassette
Europe, 1944. American teenage soldier Scott Collins describes the Omaha Beach invasion, in which many men in his company are killed. Writing home, he details his experiences as he fights across France, receives a promotion, and suffers a wound. For grades 4-7. 1999.

This Gum for Hire: From the Tattered Casebook of Chet Gecko, Private Eye RC 57733
by Bruce Hale
read by Robert Sams
1 cassette
To save his own skin, lizard private eye Chet Gecko sets out to solve the mystery of Emerson Hicky Elementary School's disappearing football players. For grades 3-6. 2002.

Stravaganza II: City of Stars RC 57962
by Mary Hoffman
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
Fifteen-year-old Georgia buys a figurine of a winged horse, which transports her from present-day London to sixteenth-century Italy. There she finds adventure and intrigue and perfects her equestrian skills. Companion to *Stravaganza: City of Masks (RC 55902)*. For grades 6-9. 2003.

I've Already Forgotten Your Name, Philip Hall! RC 57986
by Bette Greene
read by Gail Nelson
1 cassette
Beth Lambert of Pocahontas, Arkansas, returns home after visiting her grandmother and dreams up an imaginary new boy to make her friend Philip jealous. But her lie almost backfires, and she has additional trouble with her girlfriends. Sequel to *Get Out of Here, Philip Hall (RC 24865)*. For grades 5-8. 2004.

Foreign Language Books

The following cassette titles are available in the languages designated.

Spanish

Los Cazadores de Mamuts (The Mammoth Hunters) RC 56960
por Jean M. Auel
leído por María Pino
6 cassettes
Rechazada por el clan que la crió, Ayla, a los dieciocho años y acompañado por su amante Jondalar, se encuentra con el clan Mamutoi que son cazadores de mamuts. Tercer libro de la serie Los Hijos de la Tierra que tiene lugar en la Europa de la época glacial. Descripciones explícitas del sexo. (Rejected by the clan that reared her, Ayla takes her chances with the mammoth-hunting Mamutoi, attended by her lover, Jondalar. Third volume of the Earth's Children saga set in Ice-Age Europe. Sequel to *Valle de los Caballos (RC 54971)*. Explicit descriptions of sex.) 1985.

El Club Social de las Chicas Temerarias (Dirty Girls Social Club) RC 56963
por Alisa Valdés-Rodríguez
leído por María Pino
3 cassettes
Seis amigas latinas formaron el club social de las chicas temerarias durante sus días en la Universidad de Boston. Ahora Lauren, Elizabeth, Sara, Rebecca, Usnavys, y Amber–mujeres de genios muy diferentes–se

encuentran dos veces al año para comer juntas, chismear y comprar notas en el complicado camino de la vida y el amor. Algunas descripciones de índole sexual. (Since graduating from Boston University, "las sucias"–Lauren, Elizabeth, Sara, Rebecca, Usnavys, and Amber–get together twice a year. The Latina women, as varied as the culture they represent, meet in a restaurant to share their perspectives on relationships, complications, and triumphs in their lives. Some explicit descriptions of sex.) 2003.

Cruzando al Más Allá: Las Historias atrás de las Historias (Crossing Over: The Stories behind the Stories)
RC 56965
por John Edward
leído por Juan Ramírez
3 cassettes
El celebre psíquico médium y anfitrión de televisión habla de sus experiencias comunicándose con las personas muertas–o sea "las personas que han cruzado al más allá." Presenta las historias de varias personas que encuentran paz y conocimiento comunicándose espiritualmente con seres queridos del otro lado. Lenguaje injurioso. (Reminiscences of the psychic medium and television show host. Edward discusses how to communicate with those who have died and passed on to an afterlife, or "crossed over." Recounts incidents of encountering spirits that help the living. Some strong language.) 2001.

Cartas a los Espíritus de los Muertos (Letters to the Souls of the Dead)
RC 56967
por Ralph Barby
leído por María Pino
1 cassette
Jordi Arnot y los otros empleados de un resorte mediterráneo van encontrando muñecas plásticas hinchables para erótomanos que aparecen simulando que habían sido asesinados. Aún más extraño es el siniestro mago Hugo Zattoni que sabe comunicarse con los espíritus de los muertos por el baile sensual de su hermosa hija. (Jordi Arnot and the other employees of a Mediterranean resort come across some strange things. Someone is leaving inflatable plastic sex dolls around the place in positions that parody murder. And then there is the sinister magician Hugo Zattoni who communicates with spirits of the dead through his daughter.) 1983.

Maullidos en la Noche (Night Screams)
RC 56969
por Ralph Barby
leído por María Pino
1 cassette
Después de un accidente automobilístico por una carretera aislada y neblinosa del campo alsaciano de Francia, Maurcie Oyat busca ayuda en una mansión oscura y lugubre. Aquí encuentra gatos salvajes enjaulados, y conoce al dueño de éstes–una mujer hermosa que igual a los gatos exhibe siniestros característicos felinos. (After being involved in a car accident along a lonely,

mist-shrouded country road in France, Maurice Oyat looks for help in a dark, forbidding mansion. There he discovers several savage-looking caged cats and their owner, a beautiful woman who herself possesses sinister feline characteristics.) 1977.

Los Hijos del Inmortal (Children of the Immortal) RC 56970

por Ralph Barby
leído por María Pino
1 cassette

Ronald Hoover, el propietario despótico de Golden Fat, el planeta mas rico de la galaxia, emplea a Joc Seny, el aventurero del espacio, para que emprenda una misión peligrosa entre las estrellas. Joc Seny y la tripulación del cosmonave Tralla Nova viajan en busca del antídoto que salvará al hijo predilecto de Ronald Hoover que sufre de la picadura envenenosa de una araña bicéfala. (Ronald Hoover, despotic ruler and owner of Golden Fat, the richest planet in the galaxy, hires space adventurer Joc Seny to search the stars for an antidote to save his son and heir from the bite of a poisonous two-headed spider.) 1983.

La Gaviota Canibal (The Cannibal Seagull) RC 56972

por Ralph Barby
leído por María Pino
1 cassette

En el palacete privado que se llama La Gaviota, la duquesa Giacomonova celebra banquetes extraños en los cuales huespedes que llevan antefaces devoran pasteles cocinados en la forma de víctimas sacrificiales. Y los pasteles parecen humanos en todos los detalles. Aunque no tiene pruebas, el inspector Fournier está convencido que la duquesa manda rituales aún más atroces que un canibalismo simulado. (Duchess Giacomonova throws strange parties in the Seagull Palace where masked guests devour a cake prepared in the shape of a lifelike sacrificial victim. Although he can't prove it, Inspector Fournier is convinced the duchess is involved in rituals more sinister than parodied cannibalism.) 1989.

Un Pájaro Llamado Leonard (A Crow Named Leonard) RC 56973

por Ralph Barby
leído por María Pino
1 cassette

Vie, una au-pair francesa, se preocupa más y más por los niños Chandler después de la muerte de su madre. Míster Chandler es rico pero cínico y canalla, mientras su hijo cree que su difunta madre es bruja y que su verdadero padre es un gran pajarraco que se llama Leonard. (French au pair Vie becomes increasingly concerned over the Chandler children after the death of their mother. Mr. Chandler is rich but an uncaring, cynical cad. His young son believes his dead mother is a witch and his real father is a huge crow named Leonard.) 1989.

La Zorra (The Vixen) RC 56975
por Ralph Barby
leído por María Pino
1 cassette
La Zorra es una mujer cincuentona de belleza salvaje pero de genio violento y carente de escrúpulos. Ella y su camada de hijos maleantes bajan por el río Missouri perpetrando asesinos y deleitos. Pero cuando llegan al pueblo de Topeka, la Zorra y su banda tienen que contarse con la ley y justicia a manos del comisario Marcel Hatman. (The Vixen is a rough-and-tumble, fiftyish woman with a well-preserved, savage beauty but an unscrupulous and violent nature. She and her brood of cutthroat sons travel down the Missouri River leaving murder and mayhem in their wake. One man, Topeka marshal Marcel Hatman, is determined to stop them.) 1987.

Los Malditos (The Bad Men) RC 56956
por Ralph Barby
leído por Peter Gil
1 cassette
Después de rescatar a la maestra Becky Peyton de un secuestrador, Miguel Ramírez llega al pueblo de Eagle Pass en busca de su hermano a quien no ha visto hace mucho tiempo. Los dos hermanos necesitan empleo y se unen a una banda cuyo jefe es Ciryl Adams. Esto resulta ser un error mortal para todo el mundo. (After saving schoolteacher Becky Peyton from a kidnapper, Miguel Ramírez looks up his long lost brother in Eagle Pass. They need work and hire on with a band headed by Cyril Adams. Unfortunately, this turns out to be a deadly mistake for everyone.) 1987.

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Arkansas	Little Rock	866-660-0885	(501) 682-1155
California	Los Angeles	800-808-2555	(323) 660-3880
	Sacramento	800-952-5666	(916) 654-0640
Colorado	Denver	800-685-2136	(303) 727-9277
Connecticut	Rocky Hill	800-842-4516	(860) 566-2151
Delaware	Dover	800-282-8676	(302) 739-4748
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	Cleveland	800-362-1262	(216) 623-2911
Oklahoma	Oklahoma City	800-523-0288	(405) 521-3514
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In Brief

NLS *Business Plan* summary on cassette

Executive Summary: Current Strategic Business Plan for the Implementation of Digital Systems, March 2004, is now available on cassette and can be obtained through your cooperating library or the NLS Reference Section. When ordering, please refer to stock number MS269C. It is available online at www.loc.gov/nls/businessplan/executivesummary.html.

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The following material is reprinted from two issues of NLS *Flash*, a newsletter created to bring current information on NLS progress in digital technology to patrons, library staff, and other interested individuals.

Flash, April 2005, volume 1, issue 5

An accessible design for NLS patrons

Accessibility is a hot-button issue in the world of consumer products. Engineers consider the wide range of abilities and limitations of consumers and incorporate accessible design into their work—as will the team that creates the new digital talking-book (DTB) system for the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS), Library of Congress.

Involved from concept to handoff for production, the team members are HumanWare, formerly VisuAide, a leader in DTB technology; the National Federation of the Blind (NFB), the largest organization of blind persons in the world, with more than fifty thousand members; and the Trace Research and Development Center at the University of Wisconsin–Madison, a specialist in accessible technology for the disabled. They will assist Battelle, a leading technology innovation firm, with the design and development of the digital talking-book machine (DTBM).

Getting creative

"The creative input of our patrons is essential to designing a digital talking-book system that best accommodates them," says Frank Kurt Cylke, director of NLS. "One of the ways we'll identify the needs and wants of our patrons will be through repeatedly testing the player design concepts with focus groups of blind and physically handicapped users." Other project highlights include creating multiple models of the DTBM, observing how users interact with them, and developing the player's software and hardware. Gilles Pepin of HumanWare will manage and coordinate subcontractor activities. His team will also support Battelle with design and engineering activities by sharing the results of earlier tests, developing training materials, and testing the final DTBM for overall performance.

The two-phase project will take thirty months to complete. "The first phase consists of concept development, design, and testing," says Pepin. "The collected information will directly influence the design of the DTB player prototypes at appropriate stages of development." During the second phase, the player will be transferred for manufacturing, and early DTBMs will be examined to make sure they operate according to design.

Testing . . . one, two, eight

A series of eight usability test cycles will ensure that the final player is acceptable to NLS patrons. The tests will employ a combination of focus groups, fieldwork, and site visits. Individuals will test different versions of the DTBM in typical settings, be assigned operational tasks, and make evaluations based on their interac-

tions with the machine. Testers will also make suggestions on the kinds of things they want the machine to do.

Most test cycles will take two weeks from start to finish. The results will guide the development process, as each test is designed to extract specific information. Initial tests will explore user needs; whereas later ones will examine how users interact with different player designs and test sound, navigation, and manipulation of the DTBM. A few tests will be used to confirm that the player meets the regulatory standards for DTBs.

Recognized for expertise in consumer product testing, NFB and the Trace Center will administer usability tests to select groups. The Trace Center will test individuals selected from residential living centers for the elderly and senior day centers.

"People who are older and those with multiple disabilities are a large part of the talking-book user population," says Gregg C. Vanderheiden, director of the Trace Center. "Our work can help ensure that current users will continue to be able to use talking books as they age, and new patrons will also be able to enjoy DTBs."

NFB will manage tests among blind and low-vision users, primarily NLS patrons who match certain profiles for visual ability, age, demographics, and level of exposure to technology. They will also test the DTBM with library staff and repair technicians. "When a user population is involved, they will come up with many things that engineers don't even think of," says Dr. Marc Maurer, president of NFB. "Because if one believes that the target population for the machine will have a fuller life because of the machine, then the machine has to do what it's designed to do."

Facing a new frontier: Talking-book machine transformation

For many years, NLS and the volunteer machine-repair groups TelecomPioneers and GE Elfuns have partnered to keep talking-book machines in top shape. With a whole new technology in development for talking books and machines, what does the future look like for this relationship?

As the next generation of playback machines evolves, they will still have their work cut out for them. Cassette machines will be in use beyond 2008, when the new DTBMs are introduced.

The national organizations of volunteers have repaired more than 1.8 million NLS machines and dedicated countless hours in repair workshops around the country. Their efforts save NLS more than $5 million each year.

Last year alone, they repaired more than 127,000 machines. And with the promise of nearly one million new digital machines, the expertise of the repair volunteers will be needed.

But this isn't the first time these organizations have faced a challenge and won. In the past, the repair volunteers invented special tools and solutions to repair the specialized players.

Flash, May 2005, volume 1, issue 6

Paving a distribution highway for talking books

Just as cars need highways, books need distribution systems to facilitate the journey from libraries to patrons. That is why a distribution system study is a necessary step for the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS), Library of Congress, on the road toward digital transformation. A study has been contracted to ensure that the digital book distribution process evolves in tandem with the creation of the books, giving patrons high-quality service.

"The digital transformation is an opportunity to enhance talking-book technology and the reading experience," says Frank Kurt Cylke, director of NLS. "The distribution study will help us maximize the potential of the digital talking book (DTB) to better serve patrons."

For this project, NLS has contracted with experts in new technology solutions. ManTech Advanced Systems International will lead the effort, supported by two subcontractors: Jerome Ducrest, an independent contractor, and Daniel Kind of Wesley-Kind Associates. Having worked with NLS in the past, the two are uniquely familiar with library operations.

Maximizing potential

Driven by thorough research, the two-phase study will take roughly sixteen months to complete. The first phase will involve evaluating three possible DTB distribution models followed by the selection of the best overall choice. Once NLS approves the recommended model, phase two will gear up. The design of the new system and a multiyear transition plan will be the focus of the second phase, expected to run through the summer of 2006.

"Our goal is to implement a system that maintains high-quality service and is mutually beneficial to NLS, libraries, and patrons," says Michael Moodie, NLS deputy director. "An ideal solution would provide patrons with personal service, localized librarian knowledge, and timely book delivery. It would also ensure sufficient inventory to meet patron requests and would save libraries and NLS money."

The three models under consideration include the current system, which duplicates mass quantities of book titles and stores them locally for easy access by librarians as they fill loan requests; on-demand duplication, where a central facility would copy DTBs as patrons request them; and a hybrid model which combines mass circulation and on-demand duplication. To make the right choice, NLS will use evaluation criteria developed with input from the contractors and the Digital Long-Term Planning Group, an NLS committee that includes state, regional, and subregional librarians as well as patrons.

"This decision will impact the entire distribution network—duplication, circulation systems, data management, and possibly even facilities," says Moodie. "It is important that we consider the economic, operational, and human impact of each model."

Seamless transition
Librarians and patrons will aid the process as part of the Digital Long-Term Planning Group. At the end of the initial phase, contractors will meet with the group, which includes members of the National Federation of the Blind and the American Council of the Blind, to review the recommended scenario and to collect comments on system design.

"Depending on the distribution model selected, contractors may also visit certain libraries to gather information to assist the design process," says Jean M. Moss, NLS digital projects coordinator. "Libraries that employ special shelving schemes will be of special interest."

Development of the new design will underscore cooperation and integration. The design must consider all aspects of DTB distribution, including duplication, packaging, shipping/receiving, shelving, and automated circulation systems.

If significant changes from the current system are recommended, the contractor will develop a comprehensive transition plan. Some key topics might be establishing telecommunications systems, phasing out cassette book circulation, and phasing in DTB systems. Another area to be examined is the method for educating library patrons and staff about the new distribution model.

"A detailed transition plan is being developed to provide a roadmap to the future," says Moss. "The plan will be implemented over a period of years to give libraries time to adapt to any necessary changes."

Spotlight on DTB distribution systems

Mass duplication
Book titles are copied in large batches (approximately 1,000 copies) at NLS audiobook production facilities before being sent to network libraries for storage and circulation. An allotment system permits the libraries to determine the number of copies received for a new title. Each library receives at least one copy of each new title but may request more to meet reader demand.

Duplication-on-demand
When needed, DTBs would be produced at a central duplication center operated by NLS contractors. Librarians would receive patron requests and submit them to the centers. Rather than storing physical copies of DTBs on shelves, titles would be stored on digital servers and then loaded onto flash-memory cartridges and mailed to patrons.

Hybrid
This system combines mass duplication and duplication-on-demand to meet reader demand. High-circulation titles—which account for about 20 percent of the collection but perhaps 80 percent of total circulation—would be mass produced and distributed to libraries for loan to patrons. Low-circulation titles—comprising the balance of the collection yet only a small percentage of circulation—would be duplicated on demand at distribution centers. The hybrid system is predicated on Pareto's Law, which indicates that for a given population of enti-

ties associated with a given activity, a distinct minority of the population accounts for a distinct majority of the activity.

Digital talking-book (DTB) milestones

Completed

- Defined and prioritized DTB features
- Coordinated development and publication of *Specifications for the Digital Talking Book* (ANSI/NISO Z39.86)
- Simulated a DTB player using a personal computer
- Developed a computer-based, life-cycle cost analysis (LCC) model for the NLS system and for candidate digital systems
- Developed computer software for DTB production and presentation
- Developed software to test conformance of players and DTBs with the ANSI/NISO standard
- User survey
- Player transition study
- Distribution medium study
- Player and medium design contract awarded
- Distribution system design contract awarded

Start 1/12/04-Finish 10/1/08

The following ongoing projects, set to conclude in 2008, are shown with start dates in parentheses.

- Web-Magazine pilot (1/12/04)
- Digital data management system development (11/1/04)
- Player and medium development (3/1/05)
- Distribution system design and transition planning (3/15/05)
- Design DTB containers and labels (6/1/05)
- Web-Book pilot (6/1/05)
- Prepare DTBs for distribution (10/1/05)
- Circulation systems design (12/1/05)
- Manufacture initial lot of DTB containers and labels (9/1/06)
- Distribution system implementation (10/1/06)
- Circulation systems implementation (10/1/06)
- Media production (3/1/07)
- Media duplication (5/1/07)
- Full player production (9/1/07)

For information on the NLS digital project contact Jean M. Moss, digital projects coordinator, via e-mail: jemo@loc.gov or fax: (202) 707-1690.

To view the *Strategic Business Plan* online go to: www.loc.gov/nls/businessplan2003.html

Books for Adults

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including biographies, classics, gothics, mysteries, romances, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

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Note: For the information of the reader, a notice may appear immediately following the book description to indicate occurrences of strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, or violence. The word "some" before any of these terms indicates an occasional or infrequent occurrence, as in "some strong language."

Cassettes Nonfiction

The Class of '42: Marines in WW II RC 56369
by Tucker Giblin
read by Ray Childs
2 cassettes
Author reminisces about his 1942 enlistment in the marines at age seventeen and his subsequent service during World War II. Describes his basic training and participation in jungle warfare throughout the Pacific until the Japanese surrendered in 1945. Violence and some strong language. 2002.

Crimea: the Great Crimean War, 1854–1856 RC 56657
by Trevor Royle
read by Ray Childs
5 cassettes
Details the confrontation over who should maintain the keys to the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem and the resulting conflict between Russia and allied Britain, France, and Turkey. The war created numerous battlefield innovations including constant press coverage, trench warfare, underwater mines, and the frontline nursing of Florence Nightingale. 2000.

Before the Flood: The Biblical Flood as a Real Event and How It Changed the Course of Civilization RC 56673
by Ian Wilson
read by Geoffrey Centlivre
3 cassettes
Author of *Jesus (RC 23692)* links Noah's flood to indications of a cataclysmic deluge of the Black Sea region circa 5600 B.C. Citing the research of leading scientists and *Titanic* explorer Robert Ballard, Wilson examines underwater archaeological evidence and speculates how flood survivors may have altered the course of history. 2001.

America Afire: Jefferson, Adams, and the Revolutionary Election of 1800 RC 56682
by Bernard A. Weisberger
read by Dan Bloom
3 cassettes
Describes the United States' first presidential election crisis, in 1800, between the Federalists under John Adams and Republicans under Thomas Jefferson. The election was

eventually sent to the House of Representatives, who balloted thirty-six times before Jefferson won. Recounts how President Adams's peaceful departure set a precedent. 2000.

Samurai William: The Englishman Who Opened Japan RC 57385

by Giles Milton
read by Robert Sams
3 cassettes
The author of *Nathaniel's Nutmeg (RC 50638)* chronicles the adventures of English mariner William Adams, who was marooned in Japan in 1600. Adams is taken under the tutelage of the shogun, learns the language and customs, and opens trade between the two civilizations. 2002.

According to the Rolling Stones RC 57396

by Mick Jagger and
Keith Richards
read by David Cutler
3 cassettes
Reminiscences by members of "the greatest rock 'n' roll band in the world," tracing their British roots and rise to international fame that began in the 1960s. Also includes essays by business participants in the Stones' career and fellow performers, including American singer Sheryl Crow. Some strong language. 2003.

Hysterectomy: Exploring Your Options RC 57422

by Edward E. Wallach and
Esther Eisenberg
read by Barbara Pinolini
2 cassettes
Gynecologists explain the female reproductive organs, problems that can occur, and options for treatment. Describes three types of hysterectomies (involving surgical removal of the uterus), benefits and risks of each operation, postoperative issues, and medical alternatives. 2003.

Wheelchairs on the Go: Accessible Fun in Florida RC 57542

by Michelle Stigleman and
Deborah Van Brunt
read by Erik Synnestvedt
7 cassettes in 2 containers
Definitive travel guide to the Sunshine State for people using walkers, canes, and wheelchairs. Highlights tourist attractions, beaches, accommodations, and sports activities that are most accessible to visitors who are mobility impaired. 2002.

An Act of State: The Execution of Martin Luther King RC 57706

by William F. Pepper
read by David Cutler
3 cassettes
Unofficial explanation offered for the assassination of author's friend and colleague, civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Detailing suspicious events leading up to King's 1968 murder, Pepper argues that convicted James Earl Ray was framed and that King instead was felled by a complex conspiracy involving the Memphis police, FBI, and organized crime. 2003.

Dear Editor: A History of *Poetry* in Letters; the First Fifty Years, 1912–1962 RC 57744

edited by Joseph Parisi and
Stephen Young
read by Annie Wauters
4 cassettes
A collection of historic letters to and from the editors of Chicago's *Poetry*

magazine, the pioneer groundbreaking forum for controversial new poets such as Ezra Pound and T.S. Eliot. Candid notes reveal writer/publisher relationships and reflect major twentieth-century events the poets observed. 2002.

The Enemy Within: Saving America from the Liberal Assault on Our Schools, Faith, and Military RC 57750

by Michael Savage
read by Ray Childs
2 cassettes
Outspoken radio talk-show host and bestselling author of *The Savage Nation (RC 55527)* asserts that the United States has been "infinitely corrupted by liberalism." In his controversial style, Savage specifies how the "vast left-wing conspiracy" has undermined schools, courts, religion, law enforcement, the media, and the military. Bestseller. 2003.

Give Me a Break: How I Exposed Hucksters, Cheats, and Scam Artists and Became the Scourge of the Liberal Media . . . RC 57751

by John Stossel
read by Norm Thibeault
2 cassettes
Emmy award-winning consumer advocate recounts his "professional and intellectual journey" from being a shy, stuttering college student to becoming a crusading television news journalist. Stossel describes his most memorable exposés and decries the media backlash he experienced when he turned his attention to government and public-interest groups. Bestseller. 2004.

The Sorrows of Empire: Militarism, Secrecy, and the End of the Republic RC 57752

by Chalmers Johnson
read by Ray Childs
3 cassettes
Continuing his antimilitarist thesis begun in *Blowback (RC 54512)*, Asian affairs specialist Johnson denounces America's armed forces expansion and the secrecy surrounding its global network of bases. Portrays the United States as "a military juggernaut intent on world domination" and imperialistic ventures that conflict with democratic values. Bestseller. 2004.

Touching the Void RC 57755

by Joe Simpson
read by Ray Childs
2 cassettes
Mountain climber recounts his harrowing 1985 survival story of plunging off an Andean ice ledge, forcing his partner, Simon Yates, to cut the rope binding them. Describes Simpson's grueling descent with a broken leg and Yates's emotional turmoil believing his friend to be dead. Some strong language. Bestseller. 1988.

Down and Dirty Pictures: Miramax, Sundance, and the Rise of Independent Film RC 57756

by Peter Biskind
read by Anne Hancock
5 cassettes
Chronicles the rise of independent film companies, which began in the 1970s with Robert Redford's creation of Sundance and the Weinstein brothers' founding of Miramax. Author of *Easy Riders, Raging Bulls (RC 46342)* analyzes the films, directors, actors, and

producers outside Hollywood's mainstream that spearheaded the burgeoning genre. Some strong language. Bestseller. 2004.

Where I Was From RC 57757
by Joan Didion
read by Constance Crawford
2 cassettes
Family memoir and social criticism by Sacramento-born author of *Political Fictions (RC 53396)*. Reexamining her past writings and works by other Californians, Didion contends that the restless individualism of her pioneer ancestors' generations has spawned many of the state's emerging social and political dilemmas. Bestseller. 2003.

American Dynasty: Aristocracy, Fortune, and the Politics of Deceit in the House of Bush RC 57760
by Kevin Phillips
read by Constance Crawford
4 cassettes
Former White House strategist and author of *Wealth and Democracy (RC 54439)* criticizes the Bush family's "four-generation pursuit of national prominence and power." Reveals associations and special interests, questions financial practices, and accuses George Bush Sr. and George W. Bush of redefining the presidency to further their own agendas. Bestseller. 2004.

How I Became a Human Being: A Disabled Man's Quest for Independence RC 57767
by Mark O'Brien
read by Dan Bloom
2 cassettes
Poet and journalist relates his struggle to live independently despite paralysis. O'Brien (1949–1999), the subject of a 1997 Academy Award-winning documentary, describes how the "disability revolution" gave him the freedom to pursue goals of graduating from college and finding love. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2003.

Abandoned: The Story of the Greely Arctic Expedition, 1881–1884 RC 57771
by A.L. Todd
read by Geoffrey Centlivre
3 cassettes
Based on Greely family papers, an account of the American expedition, led by then-lieutenant Adolphus Greely, that set off in 1881 to explore islands off the Greenland coast. Describes official bungling and mischance that led to the stranding of the party of twenty-five men, including two Eskimo hunters. 1961.

Yankee Doodle Dandy: The Life and Times of Tod Sloan RC 57773
by John Dizikes
read by Constance Crawford
2 cassettes
Biography of Indiana-born jockey Tod Sloan (1874–1933) that also illuminates the history of horse racing and betting. Explains how Sloan revolutionized the sport with his innovative riding style, the "forward crouch,"

which placed him low on the horse's neck. Reconstructs his victorious career in both the United States and England. 2000.

Helen and Teacher: The Story of Helen Keller and Anne Sullivan Macy RC 57818

by Joseph P. Lash
read by Mitzi Friedlander
7 cassettes in 2 containers (Reissue)
Dual biography reveals the depth and intensity in the mutually dependent relationship between deaf-blind Helen Keller and her teacher, Anne Sullivan. Chronicles both women's childhoods and adult years until Keller's death in 1968. 1980.

Finding Wheels: A Curriculum for Nondrivers with Visual Impairments for Gaining Control of Transportation Needs RC 57825

by Anne L. Corn and
L. Penny Rosenblum
read by Patricia McDermott
2 cassettes
Presents multifaceted program addressing emotional and physical travel–related issues for young adults with visual impairments who may or may not have additional mild disabilities. Explores options such as paratransit, charity services, and bioptic driving and provides budgeting and route planning strategies to maximize independence. Includes case studies and activities. 2000.

The Harvard Medical School Guide to Taking Control of Asthma: A Comprehensive Prevention and Treatment Plan for You and Your Family RC 57843

by Christopher H. Fanta and
Lynda M. Cristiano
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
Physicians' commonsense guide to managing asthma on a daily basis and during attacks. Discusses symptoms and medical characteristics, diagnosis, degrees of severity, factors that can trigger attacks, medications, and alternative and complementary therapies. Includes sections pertaining specifically to children, women, and the elderly. 2003.

Queer Eye for the Straight Guy: The Fab Five's Guide to Looking Better, Cooking Better, Dressing Better, Behaving Better, and Living Better RC 57889

by Ted Allen and
Carson Kressley
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Five stylish gay men from a popular television show advise guys and girls on food and wine, personal grooming, home decorating, fashion, and culture. Applying their motto "you—only better," the experts suggest various tasks and projects, modest purchases, and new attitudes to transform lives through humor, taste, and class. Bestseller. 2004.

Matthau: A Life RC 57901
by Rob Edelman and
Audrey Kupferberg
read by Michael Russotto
3 cassettes
Biography of actor Walter Matthau (1920–2000), who grew up poor and fatherless in New York during the Great Depression. The authors portray his "tongue-in-cheek" character and emphasize his successful career, including his starring roles in the films *The Odd Couple* (1968) and *Grumpy Old Men* (1993). 2002.

The Medicine Wheel Garden: Creating Sacred Space for Healing, Celebration, and Tranquility RC 57902
by E. Barrie Kavasch
read by Annie Wauters
3 cassettes
Guide to designing a Native American-inspired garden to promote healing through herbal plants and spiritual space. Reviews the history of the medicine wheel, suggests plans for indoor and outdoor gardens, and describes fifty therapeutic herbs including their traditional and modern uses. 2002.

Connecting to Learn: Educational and Assistive Technology for People with Disabilities RC 57905
by Marcia J. Scherer
read by Laura Giannarelli
3 cassettes
Comprehensive guide for people with visual and auditory disabilities. Offers strategies for evaluating the needs of students and matching them to appropriate assistive technology. Provides case studies, checklists, and information on various computer and telecommunication devices. Companion to *Living in the State of Stuck (RC 52064)*. 2004.

Beckham: Both Feet on the Ground RC 57906
by David Beckham
read by Steve Douglas-Craig
3 cassettes
Autobiography by a legendary British soccer player and cultural icon. Beckham describes his London childhood, marriage to "Posh" Spice Girl Victoria Adams in 1999, and departure from Manchester United to sign with a Spanish team, Real Madrid. For senior high and older readers. 2003.

Alfred Maudslay and the Maya: A Biography RC 57907
by Ian Graham
read by Ted Stoddard
3 cassettes
Chronicles the life and work of this English gentleman and explorer (1850–1931). Drawing on Maudslay's field notes, published works, and family materials, Graham reconstructs his background, schooling, and personal life while highlighting the historical significance of his expeditions to study pre-Columbian ruins of Central America. 2002.

How to Travel: A Guidebook for Persons with a Disability RC 57909
by Fred Rosen
read by Gregory Gorton
1 cassette
A travel consultant for people with special needs outlines options for transportation, accommodations, dining out, and cruises. Offers practical advice to enhance a trip. 1997.

Choosing Assistive Devices: A Guide for Users and Professionals RC 57914
by Helen Pain and
Lindsay McLellan
read by Mark Ashby
3 cassettes
Presents a systematic approach to selecting adaptive equipment and to incorporating such devices into the daily lives of individuals with disabilities. To assure a good match, recommends considering the physical and mental capabilities, lifestyles, and preferences of both users and caregivers. Discusses options for seating, toileting, bathing, and locomotion. 2003.

Gearheads: The Turbulent Rise of Robotic Sports RC 57916
by Brad Stone
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
Details the sport of radio-controlled robot fighting from its conception in 1994 to the widespread televised competitions on cable stations in America and England ten years later. Describes the legal feuding and other shenanigans involved in the creation of heavily armed "bots." 2003.

My Name Is Bill: Bill Wilson; His Life and the Creation of Alcoholics Anonymous RC 57920
by Susan Cheever
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Biography of Bill Wilson (1895–1971), cofounder of the worldwide organization to combat alcohol addiction. Relates Wilson's Vermont background, seventeen-year alcoholic journey from euphoria to desperation, struggles to quit drinking, and meeting with Bob Smith leading to the creation of Alcoholics Anonymous in 1935. Explains the twelve AA recovery steps and traditions. 2004.

Slave RC 57923
by Mende Nazer and
Damien Lewis
read by Andrea Frierson-Toney
2 cassettes
The account of Mende Nazer, captured in 1994 at age twelve by Arab raiders in the Nuba Mountains of Sudan. She describes servitude in Khartoum and London, escaping at age twenty, and receiving international attention in her bid for asylum, obtained in the United Kingdom. Violence and some strong language. 2003.

The Rig Veda: An Anthology RC 57924
selected by Wendy Doniger O'Flaherty
read by Michael Scherer
3 cassettes
A selection of 108 ancient Indo-European hymns from the more than one thousand hymns collected in the Sanskrit *Rig Veda* (circa 1200–900 B.C.). Poetic verses depict Hindu mythology and philosophy, the symbolism and mechanism of Vedic ritual, and traditional daily life. Translated and annotated with an introduction by Wendy O'Flaherty. 1981.

Broken Vows RC 57931
by Eric Francis
read by Michael Russotto
2 cassettes
Chronicle of a 1994 murder in Cherry Hill, New Jersey: Rabbi Fred Neulander, suspected of hiring a hit man to kill his wife in order to con-

tinue an adulterous affair with a local radio personality, was indicted for the murder four years later. Some violence and some strong language. 2002.

The Good Women of China: Hidden Voices RC 57933
by Xinran
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
China, 1990s. Radio broadcaster's reflections on the true stories of suffering and oppression revealed by her female listeners. Profoundly moved by their emotional accounts, Xinran voices the centuries of pain, subjugation, and pressures of tradition that the women in China still endure. Some descriptions of sex. 2002.

Armageddon Averted: The Soviet Collapse, 1970–2000 RC 57934
by Stephen Kotkin
read by Mark Ashby
2 cassettes
Kotkin's historical and geopolitical analysis of the Soviet Union's collapse—triggered by a failed Communist ideology—and the first decade of post-Soviet Russia. He describes the dynamics of Soviet political and economic institutions and considers the chaos that could have accompanied its dissolution. 2001.

Hollywood Animal: A Memoir RC 57999
by Joe Eszterhas
read by Barry Bernson
6 cassettes
Hungarian-born screenwriter and author of *American Rhapsody (RC 51008)* pens an exposé of the movie industry's seamy side. Also recalls his personal battle with throat cancer and his father's war crimes. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller. 2004.

Coal: A Human History RC 58009
by Barbara Freese
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Minnesota assistant attorney general explores the impact of coal production and emissions on human history and the environment, beginning in Britain where coal-generated power spurred the industrial revolution in the late eighteenth century. Freese then examines coal's influence—both beneficial and detrimental—on the social, political, and economic development of the United States and China. 2003.

Laughing Allegra: The Inspiring Story of a Mother's Struggle and Triumph Raising a Daughter with Learning Disabilities RC 58016
by Anne Ford
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Memoir by the daughter of Henry Ford II describing her experiences bringing up a child who was diagnosed as severely learning disabled in 1976. Includes a resource guide and suggestions for parents of children with similar problems. 2003.

Hubble: The Mirror on the Universe RC 58020
by Robin Kerrod
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
Astronomer explores the nature and evolution of the universe based on the discoveries of the Hubble Space Telescope launched in 1990. Describes the structure of galaxies, the life cycles of

stars, and the planets in Earth's solar system. Includes background information on the Hubble project. 2003.

Rug Hooking for the First Time RC 58033
by Donna Lovelady
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Guide explaining the basics of rug hooking using strips of cloth, simple patterns, and "primitive style," or folk art, designs. Provides a brief history of the craft, tips on choosing supplies, detailed techniques, and step-by-step instructions for creating twenty-four sample projects. 2003.

The Guns of Meeting Street: A Southern Tragedy RC 58034
by T. Felder Dorn
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
Reconstructs a series of murders in the early 1940s involving the Logue and Timmerman families of rural South Carolina. Details motivations behind the crimes and subsequent trials that culminated in executions of three persons, including the first woman sent to the electric chair in the state. 2001.

Making the Right Move: Housing Options for Seniors RC 58045
by Gillian Eades Telford
read by Patricia McDermott
2 cassettes
Gerontologist's guide to choosing a nursing home or other care facility, emphasizing the importance of making an informed decision. Real-life examples supplement information on U.S. and Canadian healthcare systems, evaluating assistance levels, finding the right home for you or a loved one, admittance issues, legal matters, and more. 2004.

City of Secrets: The Truth behind the Murders at the Vatican RC 58046
by John Follain
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
The author of *Jackal (RC 48352)* recounts his investigation of the 1998 murder of the Vatican's Swiss Guard commander and his wife by lance corporal Cédric Tornay, who then committed suicide. Sensing a Vatican cover-up, Follain interviews officials who reveal homosexuality and the involvement of the ultraconservative Opus Dei organization. 2003.

The Eagle and the Rising Sun: The Japanese-American War, 1941–1943; Pearl Harbor through Guadalcanal RC 58057
by Alan Schom
read by Jake Williams
4 cassettes
Narrative of the first year and a half of the war in the Pacific between the United States and Japan. The author details the combat and the personalities of leaders including General Douglas MacArthur, Admiral Chester Nimitz, and the Japanese command under Emperor Hirohito. 2004.

Son of the Wilderness: The Life of John Muir RC 58081
by Linnie Marsh Wolfe
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Biography of Scottish-born conservationist and nature writer John Muir (1838–1914). Depicts Muir's early childhood, 1849 move to America, University of Wisconsin studies, wil-

derness travels recorded in his writings, and efforts to preserve forestland and create national parks. Emphasizes the naturalist's down-to-earth realism, human relationships, and family life. Pulitzer Prize. 1945.

Understanding New Religious Movements RC 58092
by John A. Saliba
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Professor and Jesuit priest examines the emergence of sects, cults, and novel religions in contemporary Western culture. Beginning with an overview of movements like the Church of Scientology, Hare Krishna, the Unification Church, and others, Saliba analyzes their existence from psychological, sociological, legal, and theological perspectives. 2003.

The Perfect Wife: The Life and Choices of Laura Bush RC 58096
by Ann Gerhart
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
Reporter for the *Washington Post*, who has covered Laura Bush since her husband's 2001 inauguration, discusses the First Lady's life and influences from childhood in West Texas and a career as teacher and librarian to her White House experiences. Examines her character and her pursuit of serenity. 2004.

Rise of the Vulcans: The History of Bush's War Cabinet RC 58109
by James Mann
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
Former *Los Angeles Times* correspondent's in-depth study of six principals of President Bush's foreign policy team: Cheney, Rumsfeld, Powell, Wolfowitz, Armitage, and Rice. Explicates America's evolving world relationships as forged by the expertise, interconnecting roles, and philosophies of the self-styled "Vulcans," named after the Roman god of fire. Bestseller. 2004.

Cassette Books, 2003 RC 58110
by National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped
read by Kerry Cundiff
4 cassettes
A catalog of talking books produced on cassette during 2003 for adult and young adult readers. The nonfiction and fiction sections list books by subject categories. Separate listings identify teen selections, Spanish-language books, and bestsellers. 2004.

In Their Hearts: Inspirational Alzheimer's Stories RC 58113
by Mary Margaret Britton Yearwood
read by Mitzi Friedlander
1 cassette
Born with a high-functioning form of autism known as Asperger's syndrome, the author recalls her service as a chaplain in an Alzheimer's special care unit in Atlanta from 1997 to 1999. She relates her enlightening experiences with patients who, despite cognitive losses, remained a "gold mine of spirituality." 2002.

Operatives, Spies, and Saboteurs: The Unknown Story of the Men and Women of World War II's OSS RC 58126
by Patrick K. O'Donnell
read by Fred Major
3 cassettes
Military historian and author of *Into the Rising Sun (RC 55697)* reveals the covert WWII operations of the Office of Strategic Services, precursor of the Central Intelligence Agency. Portrays Allied agents and their unorthodox missions, which included demolishing infrastructure, organizing resistance movements, and obtaining intelligence often behind enemy lines. 2004.

Teen Life in the Middle East RC 58136
edited by Ali Akbar Mahdi
read by Carol Dines
3 cassettes
A social history describing the daily lives of young adults in twelve Middle Eastern nations and territories. Includes a country profile as well as an overview of the region's typical family including their education, recreation, and religious and cultural practices. For junior and senior high readers. 2003.

Losing bin Laden: How Bill Clinton's Failures Unleashed Global Terror RC 58139
by Richard Miniter
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
Investigative reporter examines the Clinton administration's failure to apprehend Al Qaeda leader Osama bin Laden amid escalating violence and alarming military intelligence. Alleges Clinton's responses to bin Laden's terrorism activity were ineffective from the 1992 attack on American troops in Yemen to the 2000 bombing of the USS *Cole*. 2003.

Dry RC 58160
by Augusten Burroughs
read by Michael Russotto
2 cassettes
Author continues his memoir begun in *Running with Scissors (RC 54817)*, describing how his alcoholism interfered with work and landed him in a rehab center for gays. He then recalls his return to the Manhattan streets, where he battled cravings and personal demons. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller. 2003.

The South Beach Diet Cookbook RC 58161
by Arthur Agatston
read by Mark Ashby
2 cassettes
Florida cardiologist's companion to his bestselling weight loss book, *The South Beach Diet (RC 56409)*. Provides over two hundred recipes, each designated as phase one, two, or three of the diet. Includes healthy ideas for breakfast, soups, salads, side dishes, fish, poultry, meats, vegetarian meals, and more. Bestseller. 2004.

Ten Minutes from Normal RC 58162
by Karen Hughes
read by Michele Schaeffer
3 cassettes
Memoir of former counselor to president George W. Bush who left the White House to return home to Texas with her family. Hughes describes her relationship with Bush as both boss and friend, the campaign trail, the aftermath of September 11, 2001, and

the considerations prompting her relocation. Bestseller. 2004.

The Spiral Staircase: My Climb out of Darkness RC 58164

by Karen Armstrong
read by Vanessa Maroney
3 cassettes
Author and journalist recounts her spiritual journey and medical nightmare upon returning to secular life at the age of twenty-four after seven years as a young Roman Catholic nun. Describes her lapses of faith, academic disappointments, and misdiagnosed epilepsy as steps to gradual enlightenment. Sequel to *Through the Narrow Gate (RC 18649)*. Bestseller. 2004.

Caddy for Life: The Bruce Edwards Story RC 58165

by John Feinstein
read by Robert Sams
3 cassettes
Sports commentator and bestselling author of *Open (RC 56287)* paints an intimate portrait of the late Bruce Edwards, who was diagnosed in 2003 with an aggressive form of Lou Gehrig's disease (ALS). Chronicles four decades of Edwards's career as lifelong friend and caddy for champion golfer Tom Watson. Bestseller. 2004.

Not Much Just Chillin': The Hidden Lives of Middle Schoolers RC 58166

by Linda Perlstein
read by Kimberly Schraf
2 cassettes
Washington Post education reporter chronicles one year in the lives of five junior high school students in suburban Maryland. Reveals how they struggle through the awkward but formative "tween" years, forging new relationships with parents and peers while coping with schoolwork, puberty, romance, and identity. 2003.

Beyond Our Selves RC 58173

by Catherine Marshall
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes (Reissue)
The widow of Presbyterian minister Peter Marshall relates her conviction that nothing is hopeless if only man yields his will to God. Citing some autobiographical material and many case histories, Marshall emphasizes the power of spiritual healing. 1961.

The Day We Bombed Switzerland: Flying with the U.S. Eighth Army Air Force in World War II RC 58174

by Jackson Granholm
read by Ted Stoddard
2 cassettes
Using trial records and personal recollections, Granholm relates his World War II service as an aerial navigation officer. Describes an attack on Zurich by another bombing group's operational error. Details his defense-attorney role for the two pilots charged and the classified court martial proceedings. Some strong language. 2000.

The Meaning of Everything: The Story of the Oxford English Dictionary RC 58178

by Simon Winchester
read by Corrie James
2 cassettes
This companion to *The Professor and the Madman (RC 46906)* recounts the monumental, seventy-year effort to compile the definitive, twelve-volume Oxford dictionary, completed in 1928. Winchester describes the goal to provide comprehensive meanings of all

words, the project's complexity, crucial volunteer participation, and key figures directing the task. 2003.

Two Minutes over Baghdad RC 58250
by Amos Perlmutter and
Uri Bar-Joseph
read by Peter Johnson
2 cassettes
Three academics discuss the 1981 Israeli Air Force's preemptive attack that destroyed Iraq's nuclear reactor at Osirak. Includes background circumstances and likely consequences. Suggests that Operation Babylon significantly affected the nature of ensuing events in the Middle East. Includes the 2003 foreword to the second edition by Barry Rubin.

Clara Schumann: The Artist and the Woman RC 58262
by Nancy B. Reich
read by Suzanne Toren
4 cassettes
Biography of German pianist, composer, and teacher Clara Wieck Schumann (1819–1896). Traces her early years as a child prodigy, six-decade career, marriage to fellow musician Robert, family of seven children, and friendships with Johannes Brahms and other notable contemporaries. 1985.

One Vast Winter Count: The Native American West before Lewis and Clark RC 58263
by Colin G. Calloway
read by Gordon Gould
4 cassettes
Traces the history of America's native peoples from the Appalachians to the Pacific until 1800. Describes constant environmental changes with development of a corn-growing agriculture, introduction of horses, acquisition of guns, and decimation from disease, among other factors. Also discusses continuing conflicts due to inter-tribal feuding and European penetration. 2003.

Colossus: How the Corporation Changed America RC 58270
edited by Jack Beatty
read by Bill Wallace
4 cassettes
Through a selection of interwoven documents, essays, and commentaries, an *Atlantic Monthly* senior editor charts the development of American corporations from the seventeenth to the twentieth century. Beatty explores the complex and essential relationship between corporate power and representative government in the United States. 2001.

The Island at the Center of the World: The Epic Story of Dutch Manhattan and the Forgotten Colony That Shaped America RC 58272
by Russell Shorto
read by John Horton
3 cassettes
Portrait of the "first New Yorkers"—the earliest European inhabitants of Manhattan predating the thirteen "original" English colonies. From archival documents including letters, deeds, journals, and court proceedings, the author reconstructs the multiethnic Dutch settlement and clash of two seventeenth-century powers that ended in 1664 when England took over Manhattan. 2004.

Lost in Space: The Fall of NASA and the Dream of a New Space Age RC 58278
by Greg Klerkx
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
Former senior manager of the Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence Institute laments diminished expectations of space exploration. In reexamining NASA's history, Klerkx criticizes the agency's political and bureaucratic infighting, self-interest, and misguided focus on the space shuttle and International Space Station. Contends that commercialization would revive popular interest. 2004.

Double Deal: The Inside Story of Murder, Unbridled Corruption, and the Cop Who Was a Mobster RC 58285
by Michael Corbitt
read by Richard Davidson
3 cassettes
An account of the author's rise within the Chicago Mafia's ranks from the late 1950s through the 1980s, his career as a policeman while on the mob's payroll, and his eventual imprisonment. Provides insider view of the Mafia's connections to politicians, federal agencies, and foreign governments. Violence and strong language. 2003.

Gulag: A History RC 58287
by Anne Applebaum
read by Bill Wallace
6 cassettes
Washington Post columnist documents the evolution of the Soviet Union's forced labor camp system—from its origins during the Bolshevik Revolution, expansion under Stalin, and its dissolution after the dictator's death. The chronicle also examines the lives of prisoners and the unique society they formed. 2003.

Pillsbury Best of the Bake-Off Cookbook: Recipes from America's Favorite Cooking Contest RC 58290
by Pillsbury Editors
read by Kerry Cundiff
4 cassettes
Presents about four hundred recipes from the Pillsbury Bake-Off contests begun in 1949. Groupings include soups, sandwiches, and snacks; main dishes, including Quick and Easy Main Meals; side dishes and salads; breads; cookies; cakes; and pies. Details how home cooks perpetuate their ethnic heritages. 2004.

Fiske New SAT Insider's Guide RC 58291
by Edward B. Fiske and Bruce G. Hammond
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Preparation and test-taking strategies for high school students taking the revised version of the SAT college entrance exam. Provides practice problems for each section of the standardized test—critical reading, math, and writing. Discusses coaching courses, the new PSAT, and tactics used by top-scoring students. For senior high readers. 2004.

Sahara: A Natural History RC 58292
by Marq De Villiers and Sheila Hirtle
read by Lisette Lecat
3 cassettes
Description of the world's largest desert landscape and its inhabitants.

Discusses the geography, natural cycles, and resilient life-forms of the sandy wilderness stretching across the broadest part of Africa. Covers the history of the Sahara's indigenous people—Berbers, Moors, and Tuareg—and the ancient kingdoms of past civilizations. 2002.

Herodotus: The Histories; New Translation, Selections, Backgrounds, Commentaries RC 58293
by Herodotus
read by Ken Kliban
5 cassettes
Excerpts from the writings of the fifth-century B.C. Greek historian and traveler known as the "father of history," translated by Walter Blanco. Describes the wars and worlds, even folktales and gossip, of ancient Greece, Persia, Egypt, and Italy. 1992.

In Search of Ancient Ireland: The Origins of the Irish, from Neolithic Times to the Coming of the English RC 58296
by Carmel McCaffrey and Leo Eaton
read by Terry Donnelly
3 cassettes
This companion to a PBS television series reviews the history, archaeology, and legends of Ireland from circa 8000 B.C. to the twelfth century A.D. The authors explore ancient sites throughout the countryside and reexamine history to distinguish between popular myth and reality. 2002.

Why Courage Matters: The Way to a Braver Life RC 58324
by John McCain
read by Brian Conn
1 cassette
Meditations on courage and its costs by Senator John McCain. Includes accounts of Vietnam veteran sergeant Roy Benavidez, civil rights leader John Lewis, Hungarian resistance fighter Hannah Senesh, and others who demonstrated exemplary fortitude, discipline, and self-sacrifice both in daily living and under extraordinary duress. Bestseller. 2004.

The Red Hat Society: Fun and Friendship after Fifty RC 58333
by Sue Ellen Cooper
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Founder and "queen mother" of the Red Hat Society chronicles the national organization's development from a small costumed tea party in 1998. Members' anecdotes explain the group's philosophy and examine mutual professional and domestic experiences, the aging process, and the value and support of friendship. Bestseller. 2004.

Founding Mothers: The Women Who Raised Our Nation RC 58361
by Cokie Roberts
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Political commentator and news analyst examines the role of Abigail Adams, Deborah Read Franklin, Martha Washington, and other prominent colonial women in founding the United States. Discusses their work outside the domestic sphere to manage busi-

nesses, run plantations, and defend their homes in the absence of men. Bestseller. 2004.

Father Joe: The Man Who Saved My Soul RC 58363

by Tony Hendra
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Biographical tribute by British satirist and former *National Lampoon* editor to his mentor, Father Joseph Warrilow. Relates how the monk with pastoral wisdom and humility guided Hendra for forty years through struggles with substance abuse, a failed marriage, and parenthood. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller. 2004.

Secrets of the Code: The Unauthorized Guide to the Mysteries behind *The Da Vinci Code* RC 58366

edited by Dan Burstein
read by Jack Fox
4 cassettes
Excerpts from books, web sites, articles, commentaries, and interviews relating to the major religious themes in *The Da Vinci Code (RC 55735)*. Contributing experts offer views on Jesus's relationship with Mary Magdalene, the credibility of alternative scriptures, secret societies like the Knights Templar, and more. Bestseller. 2004.

Warrior of the Light: A Manual RC 58430

by Paulo Coelho
read by John Polk
1 cassette
A collection of philosophical sketches prefaced by the brief parable of a grown man returning to the beach of his childhood. There he is inspired to write about the "Warrior"—one who is "capable of understanding the miracle of life." Inspirational companion to *The Alchemist (RC 37602)*. 2003.

The Eve of Destruction: The Untold Story of the Yom Kippur War RC 58437

by Howard Blum
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
Author of *Brigade (RC 56192)* interviews some 200 parties on both sides of the 1973 Arab-Israeli war—soldiers, generals, intelligence operatives, and double agents—to uncover new details of the surprise attack on Israel. Account of combat, battlefronts, and individuals, such as one newlywed Israeli couple caught up in the conflict. 2003.

On the Down Low: A Journey into the Lives of "Straight" Black Men Who Sleep with Men RC 58447

by J.L. King
read by Bill Quinn
1 cassette
HIV-prevention educator exposes a hidden problem in African American culture: men who deny their bisexuality to their female partners—and to themselves. Warns unsuspecting women about the dangers of sexually transmitted diseases and encourages honesty and acceptance. Acknowledges his own double lifestyle. Explicit descriptions of sex and strong language. Bestseller. 2004.

Battle Ready RC 58449
by Tom Clancy
read by Jake Williams
4 cassettes
Chronicles the forty-year career of retired marine general Tony Zinni, former CENTCOM commander-in-chief and special Middle East envoy. Zinni contributes descriptive narratives of missions in Vietnam, Somalia, and Iraq, tracing the U.S. Marine Corps' evolution and reflecting on warfare's changing nature in the twenty-first century. Some strong language. Bestseller. 2004.

Rewriting History RC 58450
by Dick Morris
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Political analyst and advisor under President Bill Clinton offers a rebuttal to former First Lady Hillary Clinton's *Living History (RC 55882)*. Claiming the memoir is distorted and incomplete, Morris critically appraises the New York senator's potential for higher office. Some strong language. Bestseller. 2004.

More than Money: True Stories of People Who Learned Life's Ultimate Lesson RC 58452
by Neil Cavuto
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
A business journalist with Fox News Channel, diagnosed with cancer and multiple sclerosis, portrays others in the business world who have struggled with serious obstacles—disease, bankruptcy, dyslexia, paralysis—and have achieved or regained success and wealth. Includes Joe Torre, Wally Amos, Richard Branson, and Jim Langevin. Bestseller. 2004.

Sidney Poitier: Man, Actor, Icon RC 58458
by Aram Goudsouzian
read by Peter Jay Fernandez
4 cassettes
History professor chronicles the life and Hollywood career of Poitier, born in 1927. Explores how Poitier, a leading African American actor during the civil rights movement, struggled with racial politics, stereotyping, the paradox of his race, and intense insecurity. Describes his rags-to-riches success, romances, film credits, awards, and directing debut. 2004.

Pointing from the Grave: A True Story of Murder and DNA RC 58459
by Samantha Weinberg
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Recounts efforts to convict Paul Frediani for killing DNA scientist Helena Greenwood in 1985. The crime narrative unfolds alongside a history of DNA testing—the technology that allowed Laura Heilig and a team of San Diego archival detectives to arrest Frediani nearly fifteen years later. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2003.

The Iraq War RC 58465
by John Keegan
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Author of *Intelligence in War (RC 57376)* briefly details the creation and evolution of the modern Iraqi state from the eighth to the twenty-first century, including Saddam Hussein's rise to power. Depicts American and Brit-

ish military activities during Operation Iraqi Freedom in 2003. 2004.

First Impressions: What You Don't Know about How Others See You RC 58467

by Ann Demarais and Valerie White
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
Founders of a New York interpersonal consulting firm discuss ways to make a favorable impression during an initial social or business encounter. Authors identify seven fundamentals of successful first impressions including accessibility, self-disclosure, and conversational dynamics, and offer self-assessment exercises to help avoid common misunderstandings and enhance personal charm. 2004.

Before It Happens to You: A Breakthrough Program for Reversing or Preventing Heart Disease RC 58468

by Jonathan Sackner Bernstein
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Physician discusses how to cut the risk of heart attack and stroke in half even without a change in diet or lifestyle. Evaluates the latest available drugs that can prevent problems before they occur, and explains the interpretation of various diagnostic tests. 2004.

The Main Enemy: The Inside Story of the CIA's Final Showdown with the KGB RC 58479

by Milt Bearden and James Risen
read by Ralph Lowenstein
5 cassettes
CIA insider and a Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist chronicle the major espionage engagements of the CIA and KGB from 1985 to the collapse of the Soviet Union. Drawing on interviews with both Russian and U.S. agents, Bearden and Risen reveal clandestine operations from the perspective of the spies who carried them out. Strong language. 2003.

St. Patrick of Ireland: A Biography RC 58484

by Philip Freeman
read by George Holmes
2 cassettes
Life of St. Patrick based on his two surviving letters: one a defense of his work in Ireland and the other a condemnation of a slave-raiding king and his pirates. Recounts Patrick's kidnapping by Irish pirates, years of slavery, escape, and eventual return to minister to the Irish people. Debunks many myths. 2004.

Nature Writings: *The Story of My Boyhood and Youth*, *My First Summer in the Sierra*, *The Mountains of California*, *Stickeen*, Selected Essays RC 58485

by John Muir
read by Bill Wallace
6 cassettes
A selection of four books and eighteen essays by Scottish-born naturalist John Muir (1838–1914), a key figure in the creation of the American national parks system. The writings, published primarily between 1871 and 1913, chronicle his lifetime of exploration, observation, and conservation advocacy. 1997.

Good Stress, Bad Stress: An Indispensable Guide to Identifying and Managing Your Stress RC 58486
by Barry Lenson
read by Jake Williams
1 cassette
Author distinguishes between two types of personal anxiety: potentially damaging "bad" stress and beneficial "good" stress, which helps individuals improve performance and accomplishment. Explains effects of stress on physical and mental well-being and provides strategies for harnessing good stress. 2002.

Curing MS: How Science Is Solving the Mysteries of Multiple Sclerosis RC 58487
by Howard L. Weiner
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Harvard neurologist uses examples from his own practice to illustrate his three decades of research on the autoimmune disorder multiple sclerosis. Describes the technological and medical advances he has witnessed, possible future developments, funding problems, and public perception of the disease. 2004.

The Apprentice: My Life in the Kitchen RC 58509
by Jacques Pépin
read by Steven Carpenter
1 cassette
Memoir of chef who grew up amidst the deprivations and bombings of France in World War II. Pépin recounts the early years in his family's restaurant and his later move to America, where he befriended Craig Claiborne and Julia Child. Describes his culinary adventures and includes favorite recipes. 2003.

Y: The Descent of Men RC 58556
by Steve Jones
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
British geneticist and author of *The Language of Genes (RC 41360)* takes Darwin one step further in this informative exploration of the biology and evolution of males. Jones deconstructs some mysteries of masculinity from hormones to hair loss, debunks sexual stereotypes, and suggests reversal of the ancient view of women as diminished males. 2003.

The Doctors' Plague: Germs, Childbed Fever, and the Strange Story of Ignác Semmelweis RC 58558
by Sherwin B. Nuland
read by Brian Conn
1 cassette
Yale professor recounts the life of Hungarian obstetrician Ignác Semmelweis (1818–1865), credited with introducing sanitary hospital practices that nearly eliminated childbed fever and other infections years before Louis Pasteur's discovery of bacteria. Nuland describes a man nevertheless rejected by his contemporaries and chased by personal demons, whose life ended in anger and anonymity. 2003.

Meditations RC 58577
by Marcus Aurelius
read by Richard Hauenstein
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Ethical and spiritual reflections of the Roman emperor Marcus Aurelius (A.D. 121–180), written during the last decade of his life. Offers advice and

insights on daily conduct, leadership, and personal integrity. Modern English translation and introduction by Gregory Hays. 2002.

Rituals of Blood: Consequences of Slavery in Two American Centuries RC 58630

by Orlando Patterson
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
In three essays, National Book Award-winner Orlando Patterson examines the adverse effects of slavery and discriminatory laws on both African Americans and the broader U.S. society. Topics include strained relationships between black men and women, lynching, and images of black men in the twentieth century. Strong language. 1998.

Sybil RC 58635

by Flora Rheta Schreiber
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes (Reissue)
The history-making case of Sybil Isabel Dorsett, a woman with multiple personality disorder and sixteen different identities. Bestselling account chronicles eleven years of psychoanalysis, hypnosis, and treatment sessions with Dr. Cornelia Wilbur, who assisted Sybil in identifying the causes of her illness. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1973.

The Great Bridge: The Epic Story of the Building of the Brooklyn Bridge RC 58715

by David G. McCullough
read by Jake Williams
5 cassettes (Reissue)
Saga of a monumental engineering feat: construction of a suspension bridge spanning New York's East River. Among the themes discussed are structural concept, technology involved, late-nineteenth-century politics, builders' heroism, and the bridge's impact on ordinary citizens. 1972.

Travels in Alaska RC 58721

by John Muir
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
Last book written by Scottish-born naturalist John Muir (1838–1914), who recounts three trips to Alaska between 1879 and 1890. Describes his encounters with indigenous peoples, his mountain traverses, and his hazardous exploration of Glacier Bay, now a national monument. New 1993 introduction by anthropologist Richard Nelson. 1915.

Cassettes Fiction

Older but Wilder: More Notes from the Pasture RC 56395

by Effie Leland Wilder
read by Mimi Bederman
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Over What Hill? (RC 45171)*, Miss Hattie has her knee replacement "retreaded" and returns to FairAcres. She describes humorous events at the retirement home, including becoming pen pals with local school children, stealing the founder's portrait, and raising money for a swimming pool. 1998.

The Association RC 56461
by Bentley Little
read by Mark Ashby
3 cassettes
Barry, a horror writer, and his wife, Maureen, leave California for a gated community in Utah where they discover bizarre neighbors and a homeowners' association that sanctions killing pets and murdering members who break the rules. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 2001.

Marjorie Morningstar RC 56674
by Herman Wouk
read by Anne Hancock
5 cassettes (Reissue)
Beautiful New York teenager Marjorie Morgenstern, a student at Hunter College in the late 1930s, decides to become an actress, repudiating the values of her traditional Jewish family. Joining a summer stock troupe, she embarks on a disastrous affair with its charismatic director. Some strong language. 1955.

The Collapsium RC 56678
by Wil McCarthy
read by Geoffrey Centlivre
3 cassettes
Set in futuristic time, in which programmable matter and newly discovered "collapsium" ensure limitless power and immortality, scientist Marlon Sykes threatens to destroy the solar system for his own nefarious purposes. His intellectual equal, scientist Bruno de Towaji, must race to stop the cataclysm. Some descriptions of sex. 2000.

The Dirty Dozen RC 56679
by E.M. Nathanson
read by Ray Childs
5 cassettes (Reissue)
Europe, 1944. Twelve U.S. military renegades serving life sentences or facing execution are given a last-chance mission behind Nazi lines. Led by Captain John Reisman, the convicts endure a rigorous training and are then dropped in France ahead of the Normandy invasion. Explicit descriptions of sex, violence, and strong language. 1965.

The Mysterious Island RC 56680
by Jules Verne
read by Geoffrey Centlivre
5 cassettes (Reissue)
Adventures of air balloonists stranded on a strange Pacific island during the American Civil War. Recounts their determination to survive and their resourcefulness. New unabridged translation by Sidney Kravitz. 1874.

Too Many Men RC 56865
by Lily Brett
read by Anne Hancock
4 cassettes
Forty-three and thrice-divorced, successful New York City businesswoman Ruth Rothwax convinces her father, Edek, to accompany her to his childhood home in Poland. As Edek relives painful memories of Nazi occupation and Auschwitz, Ruth searches for meaning as a child of Holocaust survivors. Strong language and some violence. 1999.

The Gates of Dawn: The Chronicles of Blood and Stone, Volume 2 RC 56885
by Robert Newcomb
read by Anne Flosnik
4 cassettes
With their nation in chaos, Prince Tristan, his twin sister, and wizards Wigg and Faegan take refuge in a subterranean labyrinth. When the wizards' power begins to fail, Tristan ventures forth to find a solution. Sequel to *The Fifth Sorceress (RC 55732)*. Violence and some descriptions of sex. 2003.

Quicksilver: The Baroque Cycle, Volume 1 RC 57054
by Neal Stephenson
read by Robert Sams
8 cassettes in 2 containers
Tale of science, alchemy, and absurd adventure in seventeenth- and eighteenth-century Europe and America. Features great minds and historical figures—mathematician Dr. Daniel Waterhouse, who experiences the scientific revolution, and vagabond king "Half-Cocked" Jack Shaftoe, who rescues a young woman from a harem. Some descriptions of sex and some violence. Bestseller. 2003.

Mary Stewart's Merlin Trilogy: *The Crystal Cave*, *The Hollow Hills*, *The Last Enchantment* RC 57055
by Mary Stewart
read by David Cutler
9 cassettes in 2 containers
Trilogy about the life of Britain's King Arthur. In *The Crystal Cave*, the story begins with the wizard Merlin and his powers. *The Hollow Hills* continues with the birth of Arthur, who is exiled by his father. *The Last Enchantment* deals with Arthur's first year as king. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1970.

Reservations Recommended RC 57068
by Eric Kraft
read by Ray Childs
3 cassettes
Newly divorced Matthew Barber is a Boston toy company executive who moonlights as restaurant critic B.W. Beath. While he surveys dining rooms and their customers with his mistress and sardonically observes modern social life, his own reels out of control. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1990.

Don't Look Now RC 57120
by Linda Lael Miller
read by Barbara Pinolini
2 cassettes
Lawyer Clare Westbrook is shocked when her boss is killed. She soon discovers she was the intended target. Afraid for herself and determined to protect her young niece, whose father is being released from prison, Clare gets help from homicide detective and former boyfriend Tony Sonterra. Descriptions of sex and strong language. 2003.

The Flying Squadron: A Nathaniel Drinkwater Novel, Book 11 RC 57228
by Richard Woodman
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Under False Colours (RC 57227)*, Captain Drinkwater, after a brief home stay in England, boards the *Patrician* in 1811 to escort Henry Vansittart—the King's messenger—to America. While there, Drinkwater uncovers information that later helps prevent a Royal Navy takeover by the

United States. Violence and strong language. 1992.

Beneath the Aurora: A Nathaniel Drinkwater Novel, Book 12 RC 57229
by Richard Woodman
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
1813. Captain Drinkwater has succeeded Lord Dungarth as head of the Royal Navy's Secret Department. The discovery of a secret treaty with America sends him to Norway on a dangerous mission. Sequel to *The Flying Squadron (RC 57228)*. Violence and strong language. 1995.

Paladin of Souls RC 57356
by Lois McMaster Bujold
read by Vanessa Maroney
4 cassettes
Free of the madness that imprisoned her in *The Curse of Chalion (RC 53074)*, widowed dowager Royina Ista of Chalion undertakes a pilgrimage of atonement. Accompanied by loyal followers, Ista contends with gods, demons, and soldier-bandits until she is rescued by the hero of her visions. Some descriptions of sex and some violence. 2003.

Twists and Turns RC 57383
by Janet McDonald
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
With the help of some successful friends, Teesha and Keeba Washington from *Chill Wind (RC 56891)* try to promote their talents by opening a hair-braiding salon in their Brooklyn housing project. Plagued by problems, the sisters find it hard to make a profit. Some strong language. For senior high readers. 2003.

The Spirit of Covington RC 57454
by Joan Medlicott
read by Terry Hayes Sales
3 cassettes
When fire destroys the farmhouse of Amelia, Grace, and Hannah, the three devastated ladies and Hannah's daughter, Laura, seek temporary refuge elsewhere. The stress of rebuilding, losing their keepsakes, and living apart affects their relationships. Sequel to *From the Heart of Covington (RC 54508)*. 2003.

Fatal Remains RC 57561
by Eleanor Taylor Bland
read by MaryBeth Wise
2 cassettes
African American detective Marti MacAlister from *Windy City Dying (RC 57253)* and her partner, Matthew "Vik" Jessenovik, investigate suspicious deaths near an archaeological dig. The recent crimes soon expose long-kept secrets of the past that involve Native American history and the Underground Railroad. Some strong language. 2003.

Provence—to Die For RC 57580
by Donald Bain
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
Vacationing in France, Jessica Fletcher takes cooking lessons from chef Emil Bertrand that are cut short when he is killed. Bertrand's lover is arrested. But after the murder weapon surfaces at the country farmhouse where Jessica is staying, the mystery writer turns her attention to houseguest Mallory Cartright, an American teenager. 2002.

Murder on the *QE2* RC 57581
by Donald Bain
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
Mystery writer Jessica Fletcher receives free passage aboard the luxury ocean liner in return for giving lectures and writing a play to entertain fellow passengers. When a famous actress is murdered, Jessica is recruited as the ship's spokeswoman and considers the eclectic group of suspects. 1997.

The True and Outstanding Adventures of the Hunt Sisters RC 57635
by Elisabeth Robinson
read by Linda Edmond
2 cassettes
Hollywood producer Olivia Hunt is struggling with a difficult film and abandonment by her lover when her sister Maddie in Ohio is diagnosed with leukemia. In letters to friends, relatives, and colleagues, Olivia relates shuttling between California and her hometown to comfort her family while keeping her movie afloat. Strong language. 2004.

After the Rains RC 57682
by Deborah Raney
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
High school student Natalie Camfield, who was just a child in *Beneath a Southern Sky (RC 57150)*, is involved in a tragic alcohol-related car accident that kills her best friend. Later Natalie leaves college and her boyfriend to assist her missionary father in Colombia where she confronts her guilt and finds new love. 2002.

Slightly Scandalous RC 57714
by Mary Balogh
read by Anne Flosnik
3 cassettes
Visiting Bath, England, Lady Freyja Bedwyn is surprised when a stranger bursts into her room and begs her to hide him. Joshua Moore, the Marquess of Hallmere, then makes a daring request—for Freyja to pose as his betrothed and help thwart his family's matchmaking schemes. Sequel to *Slightly Wicked (RC 57749)*. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2003.

Slightly Tempted RC 57746
by Mary Balogh
read by Anne Flosnik
3 cassettes
Belgium, 1800s. During the Battle of Waterloo, exiled earl Gervase Ashford is protector of Lady Morgan Bedwyn. Unbeknownst to her, Gervase bears a long-standing grudge against her brother, Wulfric, and is tempted to seduce her to exact revenge. Sequel to *Slightly Scandalous (RC 57714)*. Explicit descriptions of sex. 2004.

Slightly Wicked RC 57749
by Mary Balogh
read by Anne Flosnik
3 cassettes
A chance carriage accident incites a passionate tryst between strangers Judith Law and Lord Rannulf Bedwyn. Afterwards, they part—she to her wealthy aunt's estate and a life of servitude, he off to marry well. Both are shocked when Rannulf unknowingly arrives to court Judith's cousin. Sequel to *Slightly Married (RC 56471)*. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2003.

The Listener RC 57768
by Taylor Caldwell
read by Dan Bloom
2 cassettes
Depicts the search for personal salvation and inner peace through communication with God. Fifteen disparate persons—among them a lovely young woman, a self-made tycoon, and a talented African American man—seek out the tireless "listener" behind a curtain to figure out why they were born, how they must live, and where their destinies lie. 1960.

The Big Country RC 57772
by Donald Hamilton
read by Ray Childs
2 cassettes
Baltimore sea captain James McKay travels to Texas to reunite with his bride-to-be and purchase a ranch offered by Miss Julie Maragon. Julie's neighbors, however, have other plans for the property. They aren't afraid to start trouble with a greenhorn, so McKay is forced to prove himself. 1957.

Buckskin Man RC 57777
by Tom W. Blackburn
read by Ray Childs
1 cassette
When his Santa Fe, New Mexico, trading company suspiciously burns to the ground, Jim King vows to collect compensation from his rival, the head of Duval and Company. The desire for revenge takes Jim to St. Louis and back. Meanwhile he must decide how to deal with an impending massacre. 1956.

Death of a Citizen RC 57783
by Donald Hamilton
read by Ray Childs
2 cassettes
Fifteen years after undercover service in World War II, Matt Helm is leading a peaceful suburban life as a husband and father in Santa Fe, New Mexico. A former fellow agent named Tina suddenly reappears, demanding his help and threatening his family. Some violence and some strong language. 1960.

The Frumious Bandersnatch: A Novel of the 87th Precinct RC 57809
by Ed McBain
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
Two masked men snatch twenty-year-old hip-hop diva Tamar from a party on a yacht in New York City's harbor. Detectives Steve Carella and Cotton Hawes, of the 87th precinct, assist the FBI in the search for the kidnappers. Violence and strong language. 2004.

The Second Chair RC 57813
by John Lescroart
read by Fred major
3 cassettes
Attorney Dismas Hardy of *The First Law (RC 55773)* assists his associate, Amy Wu, in defending seventeen-year-old Andrew Bartlett, accused of murdering his girlfriend and his English teacher. Wu believes he's guilty, but Hardy uncovers evidence suggesting Bartlett's innocence and implicating a serial killer. Strong language and some violence. 2004.

Pushcart Prize XXVIII: Best of the Small Presses, 2004 RC 57828
edited by Bill Henderson
read by Roy Avers
4 cassettes
Short stories, poems, memoirs, and essays from forty-three notable noncommercial presses. Among sixty-two selections are "Election Eve" by Evan Connell, "Three Girls" by Joyce Carol Oates, and works by Jonathan Lethem, Richard Powers, and others. Introduction by the editor. 2004.

A Vineyard Killing: A Martha's Vineyard Mystery RC 57831
by Philip R. Craig
read by Ray Foushee
1 cassette
Millionaire real-estate developer Donald Fox and his brother Paul arrive on the island to buy up land from residents holding dubious titles, including former cop J.W. Jackson. No one is surprised when Paul is shot, but he may not have been the intended target. Both men have made enemies. 2003.

The Pilgrim Song: The House of Winslow, Book 29 RC 57839
by Gilbert Morris
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
New York, 1929. Lewis Winslow's future looks bright, despite his concern with the way his four children are turning out. Then the stock market crashes, and they must rely on their faith in God and a new family friend to see them through. Sequel to *The Fiery Ring (RC 56760)*. 2003.

The Greatest Fishing Stories Ever Told RC 57897
edited by Lamar Underwood
read by Erik Synnestvedt
3 cassettes
Twenty-eight diverse stories reinforcing the connection between the fisherman and his environment, from inland rivers to the blue water of the Gulf Stream. Includes Ernest Hemingway's "Now I Lay Me," an excerpt from *The Yearling*, and work by notable angling writers. Brief introductions preface each story. 2000.

Last Lessons of Summer RC 57898
by Margaret Maron
read by Faith Potts
2 cassettes
Amy Steadman, heiress to a children's book empire, visits the North Carolina farmhouse of her late grandmother, Frances Barbour, to put the valuable estate, and her own life, in order. While sorting through her inheritance, Amy seeks answers to her mother's long-ago suicide and Frances's recent murder. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2003.

The Blind Man of Seville RC 57899
by Robert Wilson
read by Dan Toohey
4 cassettes
Seville, Spain. Chief inspector Javier Falcón investigates a wealthy businessman's brutal murder and other killings that follow. When he connects the victims to his father in some shady dealings, Falcón, with the help of a blind psychologist, delves into his painful past. Descriptions of sex, violence, and strong language. 2003.

Lake in the Clouds RC 57904
by Sara Donati
read by Gabriella Cavallero
4 cassettes
Upstate New York, 1802. Nathaniel Bonner's half-Mohawk daughter, Hannah, hides a pregnant escaped slave from a bounty hunter who was Hannah's childhood friend. Hannah, a healer, and her stepmother, Elizabeth, give refuge to other runaways heading to Canada. Sequel to *Dawn on a Distant Shore (RC 57936)*. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2002.

Crown Jewel RC 57921
by Fern Michaels
read by Colleen Delany
2 cassettes
Hollywood actor Ricky Lam's relationship with his brother, Philip, grew distant after Ricky entered rehab. Fifteen years later, Philip dies tragically. With no hope of reconciliation, Ricky focuses on his illegitimate sons, his family's business, his sister-in-law, and Philip's secret past. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 2003.

311 Pelican Court RC 57922
by Debbie Macomber
read by Margaret Strom
3 cassettes
This sequel to *204 Rosewood Lane (RC 55516)* focuses on Rosie and Zach, recently divorced by Judge Olivia Lockhart with an unusual stipulation. Cedar Grove's other big gossip topic is the identity of the man who died at the local bed-and-breakfast. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2003.

***The Lottery* and Other Stories RC 57928**
by Shirley Jackson
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
A collection of twenty-five unusual short stories. In the title piece, a village puts a terrifying twist on the luck of the draw. In "The Witch," a stranger on a train tells a chilling tale of murder to a small boy. Some violence. 1948.

Blood Sinister: An Inspector Bill Slider Mystery RC 57929
by Cynthia Harrod-Eagles
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes
When left-wing journalist Phoebe Agnew is found murdered in her London flat, Inspector Bill Slider dismisses his feelings about her work targeting police corruption and investigates. His primary suspect is a government advisor rumored to be her lover. Meanwhile, his girlfriend considers moving to Amsterdam. Some descriptions of sex and some violence. 1999.

Dove's Way RC 57932
by Linda Francis Lee
read by Faith Potts
2 cassettes
1891. Her father's death forces Finnea Winslet to leave their African home and return to Boston—to a family and society she barely remembers. Struggling to adjust, she is unexpectedly reunited with Matthew Hawthorne, the man with a scarred face and troubled soul who saved her life. Explicit descriptions of sex. 2000.

The Princes of Ireland: The Dublin Saga, Book 1 RC 58000
by Edward Rutherfurd
read by Roy Avers
5 cassettes
Fictional portrayal of Irish history over eleven centuries from the sacrifice of Celtic warrior Conall, to Druid gods in A.D. 430, through Henry VIII's desecration of Catholic churches in 1537. Also focuses on the passions and struggles shaping the character of Dublin. Some descriptions of sex and some violence. Bestseller. 2004.

Wild Pitch RC 58008
by Mike Lupica
read by Alec Volz
2 cassettes
"Showtime" Charlie Stoddard was twenty-five when an injury ended his pitching career with the New York Mets in 1988. At forty, he's divorced and spends his days drinking and his nights with nameless women. That is, until physical therapy revitalizes his arm—and his big-league dreams. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 2002.

The Kills RC 58014
by Linda Fairstein
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Manhattan sex crimes prosecutor Alexandra Cooper's latest case involves the rape of investment banker Paige Vallis, whose attacker is also accused of abusing his ten-year-old son. When Paige is killed, Alex finds connections to an elderly Harlem murder victim. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2004.

The Hills at Home RC 58022
by Nancy Clark
read by Erin Jones
4 cassettes
Massachusetts, 1989. Aging spinster Lily Hill's serene life is shattered when various family members arrive for the summer—and forget to leave. Also appearing is Andy, a graduate student who wants to use the clan as the subject of his thesis on intergenerational dynamics. 2003.

Memories of Sun: Stories of Africa and America RC 58024
edited by Jane Kurtz
read by Erin Jones
1 cassette
Short stories and poems by African and American writers about cross-cultural connections and "third culture kids," those who inhabit two worlds without a firm foothold in either. Describes safaris, life among the bushmen, African folktales, and transitions to adulthood. For junior and senior high and older readers. 2004.

The Last Promise RC 58030
by Richard Paul Evans
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Italy, 1999. Eliana, an American, is trapped in a loveless marriage. Her frequently absent Italian husband will not let her return to America with their son Alessio. When the boy has an asthma attack, Eliana calls on new neighbor Ross Story for help. As they fall in love, they must each reevaluate their lives. 2002.

Cloud of Sparrows RC 58031
by Takashi Matsuoka
read by Richard Hauenstein
3 cassettes
Japan, 1861. Lord Genji, leader of a doomed clan, experiences a vision in which a foreigner saves his life. So influenced, he befriends Christian missionaries Emily Gibson and Matthew Stark (also a gunslinger). Genji's actions alarm his tradition-bound enemies, who plot his demise and cement the destinies of his unlikely companions. Violence. 2002.

Vernon God Little RC 58032
by D.B.C. Pierre
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
After a Texas high school massacre, fifteen-year-old sole survivor Vernon Little becomes a suspect. Stalked by the media, Vernon flees to Mexico only to be apprehended and brought to trial for murder. A picaresque satire on American mores. Strong language, some explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. Booker Prize. 2003.

A Ship Made of Paper RC 58035
by Scott Spencer
read by Jack Fox
3 cassettes
A racially-motivated attack sends white Manhattan lawyer Daniel Emerson back to his hometown. Living with his girlfriend and her daughter, he becomes infatuated with a married African American graduate student. Attraction brings trouble during a snowstorm as they contemplate race, desire, and love. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2003.

Second Glance RC 58036
by Jodi Picoult
read by Jack Fox
3 cassettes
Vermont. Developers acquiring property from an elderly scientist spark protests from Native Americans claiming the site is a burial ground. After a rash of unexplained phenomena, ghost hunter Ross Wakeman—suicidal since his fiancée's death—investigates. The paranormal activity shows disturbing links to eugenics projects in the 1920s and 1930s. Some descriptions of sex and some violence. 2003.

Hope's Highway RC 58037
by Dorothy Garlock
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Missouri, 1933. On a California-bound truck caravan, Margie Kinnard meets rancher Brady Hoyt. Margie and Brady grow close despite her father's antagonism. But the travelers must contend with robbers and other dangers. Sequel to *Mother Road (RC 57613)*. Strong language, some explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. 2004.

Guardian of the Horizon RC 58038
by Elizabeth Peters
read by Erin Jones
3 cassettes
Egypt, 1907. Archaeologist family headed by Amelia Peabody and husband Emerson accepts a hazardous mission to Lost Oasis to save their friend Prince Tarek, who is suffering from a strange sickness. They encounter constant deceptions and dangers on the desert trek, ultimately finding

themselves victims of a ruse to dethrone the prince. 2004.

The Narrows RC 58047
by Michael Connelly
read by Len Cariou
2 cassettes
Retired LAPD detective Harry Bosch investigates the death of his pal Terry McCaleb from *A Darkness More than Night (RC 51468)*. Disgraced FBI agent Rachel Walling tracks down serial killer Bob Backus, her former boss. The two cases merge as more bodies are discovered. Violence and strong language. 2004.

Dance Hall of the Dead RC 58053
by Tony Hillerman
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Navajo police lieutenant Joe Leaphorn faces a possible murder in the disappearance of a Zuñi youth and his Navajo best friend shortly before an important annual Zuñi religious ceremony. Some violence. 1973.

Lost in a Good Book RC 58054
by Jasper Fforde
read by Yolande Bavan
3 cassettes
In an alternate 1985 England, literary detective Thursday Next from *The Eyre Affair (RC 54764)* faces her husband's eradication by the corrupt Goliath Corporation. To rescue him, Thursday must retrieve an enemy from the pages of Edgar Allan Poe's "The Raven." Miss Havisham from *Great Expectations* assists. Some strong language. 2002.

The Parting Glass RC 58062
by Emilie Richards
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Peggy Donaghue and her two-year-old autistic son leave Cleveland to visit a cousin in Ireland who needs help unraveling a family mystery. When Peggy's sisters Megan and Casey arrive, the secret is revealed. Sequel to *Whiskey Island (RC 58098)*. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2003.

Dark Hollow RC 58071
by John Connolly
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
Former New York cop Charlie Parker from *Every Dead Thing (RC 58055)* has avenged his murdered family and retreats to Maine as a detective-for-hire. A case of unpaid child support turns to murder, and the obvious suspect, the victim's ex-husband, disappears. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 2000.

Fire by Night: Refiner's Fire RC 58075
by Lynn Austin
read by Kristin Allison
3 cassettes
1861. Disguised as a man, nineteen-year-old Phoebe Bigelow enlists with the Union army. Meanwhile, Philadelphia socialite Julia Hoffman joins the Christian Commission, volunteering as a nurse to help wounded soldiers. The heroic young women meet on the front lines. Sequel to *Candle in the Darkness (RC 58048)*. Some violence. 2003.

A Pawn for a Queen: An Ursula Blanchard Mystery at Queen Elizabeth I's Court RC 58087
by Fiona Buckley
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Widowed again, Ursula looks forward to a quiet retirement from the queen's court—but not yet. When her treasonous cousin, Edward, heads for Scotland with a list of families loyal to Mary, Queen of Scots—Elizabeth's rival for the throne of England—Ursula sets out to stop him. Some violence. 2002.

Tough Saddle RC 58090
by Matt Stuart
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
Big Five ranch foreman Link Asbell knows that a top hand's fiery death and a neighbor rancher's shooting are no coincidence: both men had obstructed rival Double Diamond's cattle run. Link fights fire with lead to save the spread and his future with its lovely owner, Sue Vincent. 1959.

Bergdorf Blondes RC 58108
by Plum Sykes
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
Manhattan. In a world of fake tans, artificial blondes, and $325 jeans, a London-born brunette who calls herself "Moi," department-store heiress Julie Bergdorf, and their fellow Park Avenue princesses hunt for perfect husbands. Moi's broken engagement tests her faith in love. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller. 2004.

Therapy RC 58111
by Jonathan Kellerman
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
Psychologist Alex Delaware helps LAPD pal Milo Sturgis investigate a double homicide on lover's lane. The male victim had been in treatment with celebrity therapist Mary Lou Koppel, but Mary herself is murdered before Alex can learn her secrets. Strong language, some explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. Bestseller. 2004.

Second Helpings RC 58114
by Megan McCafferty
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Sloppy Firsts (RC 58148)*, angst-ridden Jessica enters her senior year at Pineville High. She is confused about her relationship with Marcus, misses her best friend who moved to Tennessee, and decides to attend Columbia University in New York. Strong language. For senior high readers. 2003.

Flavor of the Week RC 58116
by Tucker Shaw
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Shy teenager Cyril weighs 240 pounds due to his talent as a chef. He's in love with Rose, but she falls for his buddy Nick. Cyril reluctantly agrees to cook dishes that Nick can claim as his own creations to help him win Rose's heart. Includes recipes. For senior high readers. 2003.

Highlander Unbound RC 58118
by Julia London
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
1816. Captain Liam Lockhart, on leave from his Highland regiment, searches in London for a treasure that will save his family estate. When Liam meets socialite Ellen Farnsworth, he has no idea that she too is on a mission—one that will intertwine their fates. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2004.

The Bachelor List RC 58123
by Jane Feather
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
London's spirited Duncan sisters, Constance, Prudence, and Chastity, start a matchmaking service and pen an anonymous suffragist broadsheet. Meanwhile politician Max Ensor courts Constance. Unaware that Constance is behind the scandalous publication, Max sets out to expose the writers. Followed by *The Bride Hunt (RC 58142)*. Explicit descriptions of sex. 2004.

Sea of Grey: An Alan Lewrie Naval Adventure RC 58124
by Dewey Lambdin
read by Bruce Huntey
3 cassettes
Captain Alan Lewrie sets sail aboard HMS *Proteus* for the West Indies, where general Toussaint L'Ouverture leads a slave rebellion in France's Saint Domingue colony. Lewrie patrols for privateers, French warships, and anything suspicious. Sequel to *King's Captain (RC 53006)*. Strong language, some descriptions of sex, and some violence. 2002.

Football's Best Short Stories RC 58128
edited by Paul D. Staudohar
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
Twenty-one stories and one classic poem published between 1909 and 1997 by renowned authors. Includes John Updike's "In Football Season," which evokes the wonderment of youth at Friday night high school games; an excerpt from Howard Nemerov's *The Homecoming Game*; and pieces by Ellery Queen, Damon Runyon, T. Coraghessan Boyle, and others. 1998.

Good Faith RC 58129
by Jane Smiley
read by Jack Fox
3 cassettes
In 1982, small town real estate broker Joey Stratford has two encounters that complicate his life. He meets wheeler-dealer Marcus Burns, who lures him into a speculative venture, and begins an affair with a married woman, Felicity, the daughter of his partner Gordon Baldwin. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2003.

Dead Irish RC 58133
by John Lescroart
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
San Francisco. Ex-cop Dismas Hardy, currently a bartender, unofficially investigates his friend Eddie Cochran's apparent suicide. Dismas, also coping with unresolved feelings for his ex-wife, identifies possible murder motives and examines the role of Eddie's

compassionate, conflicted priest. Strong language, some explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. 1989.

The Vig RC 58138
by John Lescroart
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
Rusty Ingraham warns his friend San Francisco lawyer-turned-bartender Dismas Hardy that convict Louis Baker is out on parole. When Rusty goes missing, Dismas tries to convince police that Louis, among a jumble of suspects, killed him. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1990.

When Tomorrow Comes RC 58150
by Janette Oke
read by Janis Gray
2 cassettes
As World War II escalates, dilemmas face adopted siblings Christine and Henry Delaney. Henry, a Mountie, prepares to marry, and Christine relies on faith to navigate the uncertainties of work and love and to decide about a return to northern Canada. Sequel to *Beyond the Gathering Storm (RC 57470)*. 2001.

Everywhere That Mary Went RC 58152
by Lisa Scottoline
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Newly widowed attorney Mary DiNunzio is in line to become partner at one of Philadelphia's upscale corporate law firms. But a series of frightening telephone calls, notes, and stalking by someone unknown put her career on hold as she fights for her life. Some strong language. 1993.

Just One Look RC 58163
by Harlan Coben
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Well-ordered happy lives are upended when Grace Lawson finds among current family snapshots a compromising picture of her husband taken twenty years ago. First he disappears, shaken after Grace confronts him, and then a serial killer infiltrates the quiet neighborhood. Some violence. Bestseller. 2004.

Persuader RC 58168
by Lee Child
read by Christopher Walker
3 cassettes
Federal agents recruit ex-military cop Jack Reacher to recover their colleague, who disappeared investigating "rug importer" Zachary Beck. Deep inside Beck's fortress-like Maine estate, Jack discovers the illegal trader's real menace—a former intelligence officer: the sadistic killer he thought he eliminated a decade ago. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 2003.

***The Man That Corrupted Hadleyburg* and Other Short Works RC 58171**
by Mark Twain
read by Michael Scherer
2 cassettes
Sixteen short writings, both fiction and nonfiction, by celebrated author Mark Twain. In the title piece, a mysterious stranger plots an elaborate scheme to expose hypocrisy in a small town. Also includes "My Boyhood Dreams" and "My First Lie, and How I Got Out

of It." Includes 2002 introduction. 1898.

Laird of the Mist RC 58172
by Elizabeth English
read by Corrie James
2 cassettes
Deirdre Maxwell's dreams fade in a joyless marriage—until she meets her husband's new swordsman. Alistair Kirallen, former royal guardsman on the Scottish borderlands, is now a blade-for-hire driven to avenge his foster brother's death. Sequel to *The Border Bride (RC 56030)*. Violence, some explicit descriptions of sex, and some strong language. 2002.

Black Lotus RC 58175
by Laura Joh Rowland
read by Robert Sams
3 cassettes
Tokyo, 1693. Shogun's private detective Sano Ichiro investigates a triple murder camouflaged as arson at the Black Lotus Temple. Sano's wife, Reiko, interviews fifteen-year-old orphan Haru, a witness. Convinced of Haru's innocence, Reiko sets out to expose a suspicious Buddhist sect. Violence and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2001.

The Cradle Will Fall RC 58176
by Mary Higgins Clark
read by MaryBeth Wise
2 cassettes (Reissue)
While hospitalized, New Jersey prosecutor Katie DeMaio spies from her window a man loading a woman's body into a car. Later, she helps medical examiner Richard Carroll investigate a questionable suicide. Richard suspects Edgar Highley—Katie's new doctor—and fears the worst when Katie disappears. Some violence and some strong language. 1980.

Santa Fe Rules RC 58179
by Stuart Woods
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Stranded at an airport, film producer Wolf Willett reads a newspaper reporting the triple homicide of his actress wife, Julia, his partner, Jack—and himself. Obviously still alive, Wolf staves off arrest and hires attorney Ed Eagle to investigate Julia's sleazy past. Strong language, some descriptions of sex, and some violence. 1992.

All's Fair in Love, War, and High School RC 58194
by Janette Rallison
read by Colleen Delany
1 cassette
High school cheerleader Samantha Taylor bombs her SAT tests. To compensate she decides to run for student council president. Even though her nemesis, Logan Hansen, bets that she can't be nice enough to people to get elected, she and Logan fall in love. For junior and senior high readers. 2003.

Appointment in Samarra RC 58197
by John O'Hara
read by Michael Russotto
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Fast-moving first novel by journalist /critic John O'Hara (1905–1970) set in 1930s small-town Pennsylvania. As Gibbsville celebrates Christmas with parties, music, and liquor, aristocratic drunkard Julian English breaks with polite society in one rash moment, beginning his rapid descent to self-destruction. 1991 introduction by John Updike. Some strong language. 1934.

Mortal Engines RC 58198
by Philip Reeve
read by Vanessa Maroney
2 cassettes
In the distant future, when big cities rove about on wheels and chase smaller towns, apprentice Tom Natsworthy is shoved out of London by Head Historian Thaddeus Valentine. Aided by disfigured Hester Shaw, Tom seeks answers to the planet's plight in the perilous Out-Country. For junior and senior high readers. 2001.

A Great and Terrible Beauty RC 58201
by Libba Bray
read by Vanessa Maroney
3 cassettes
After her mother's 1895 murder in India, sixteen-year-old Gemma Doyle returns home to England to attend boarding school. There Gemma learns she has supernatural powers that lead her and three friends to a magical realm where she reconnects with her mother. But evil forces also abound. For senior high readers. 2003.

Waiting for Sarah RC 58207
by Bruce McBay and James Heneghan
read by Mark Ashby
1 cassette
Mike loses his legs and his family in a car accident. When he's back in school Sarah, a younger student, befriends him. As Mike slowly recovers from tragedy he learns that Sarah is a murdered girl's ghost. For junior and senior high readers. 2003.

The Killing Kind RC 58245
by John Connolly
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
Maine private detective Charlie Parker investigates the apparent suicide of Grace Peltier, a graduate student researching the disappearance of a local fundamentalist sect. When the group's mass grave is discovered, Parker suspects the Fellowship, a shadowy religious organization. Violence and some descriptions of sex. 2001.

The Matarese Circle RC 58249
by Robert Ludlum
read by David Hartley-Margolin
4 cassettes (Reissue)
An organization called "The Matarese" is financing terrorist groups around the world. Secret agents Vasili Taleniekov, a Russian, and American Brandon Scofield forget long-standing personal and ideological enmity to track down the leader. Explicit descriptions of sex, violence, and strong language. 1982.

Pandora's Star RC 58258
by Peter F. Hamilton
read by L.J. Ganser
7 cassettes in 2 containers
Retired NASA pilot Wilson Kime is recruited by the Intersolar Commonwealth to investigate a distant star's sudden disappearance. When Kime discovers the star and a potentially dangerous alien race hidden behind an energy barrier, the Commonwealth prepares its defenses. Strong language and some violence. 2004.

Flyy Girl RC 58264
by Omar Tyree
read by Saidah Arrika Ekulona
3 cassettes
Tracy Ellison, a beautiful middle-class African American girl from Philadelphia, grows up spoiled and boy-crazy amidst the violence and drugs of the 1980s. Tracy eventually realizes that there is more to life than material goods. Explicit descriptions of sex and strong language. For senior high and older readers. 1993.

Call Each River Jordan RC 58265
by Owen Parry
read by Nick Sullivan
3 cassettes
Union major Abel Jones arrives at the Civil War's front lines to investigate the killing of forty runaway slaves—the third such racially motivated massacre presumably by southern renegades. General Grant then sends him on a dangerous mission to parley with the Confederates and find the murderers. Violence. 2001.

Star Wars: The New Jedi Order; Balance Point RC 58271
by Kathy Tyers
read by Erik Sandvold
3 cassettes
The planet Duro, though nearly uninhabitable, is the only option for refugees fleeing the relentless invasion of the Yuuzhan Vong. Leia supervises the relocation plan, while Jedi—including Han's young son, Jacen—arrive to help keep the fragile peace. Sequel to *Agents of Chaos II, Jedi Eclipse (RC 52417)*. 2000.

Photo Finish RC 58275
by Ngaio Marsh
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Montague Reece invites Scotland Yard's Roderick Alleyn and artist wife Troy to his New Zealand estate and commissions Troy to paint his mistress, opera star Sommita. As Roderick tries to protect the singer from a nuisance photographer, rumors of drug involvement surface and Sommita is found murdered. 1980.

For the Love of Money RC 58277
by Omar Tyree
read by Saidah Arrika Ekulona
3 cassettes
Tracy Ellison from *Flyy Girl (RC 58264)* moves to Los Angeles where she quickly becomes a screenwriter and movie star. When she returns home to Philadelphia, Tracy reconnects with old friends and relatives and looks for love. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. For senior high and older readers. 2000.

Monsieur Pamplemousse Omnibus, Volume 3 RC 58279
by Michael Bond
read by Robert Blumenfeld
3 cassettes
Three stories featuring a French food critic, once a police inspector. In "Monsieur Pamplemousse Stands Firm," the first female colleague is hired. In "Monsieur Pamplemousse on Location," along with his bloodhound, pommes frites, he finds crime on a movie set. In "Monsieur Pamplemousse Takes the Train," he travels to Rome. 1992.

Storm Warning RC 58280
by Jack Higgins
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes (Reissue)
1944. During World War II, some loyal German expatriates trapped in Brazil plot to return to their homeland on the three-masted sailing ship *Deutschland*. With five nuns also aboard as passengers, captain Eric Berger and his crew attempt an impossible voyage across an ocean dominated by British and American navies. 1976.

Purple Hibiscus RC 58294
by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie
read by Lisette Lecat
2 cassettes
Nigeria. Kambili, fifteen, and her brother Jaja live in fear of their wealthy but violent father. They discover a freer world while visiting their aunt and cousins and try to change their lot when they return home. But tensions escalate, and tragedy strikes. For senior high and older readers. 2003.

The Jane Austen Book Club RC 58362
by Karen Joy Fowler
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Sylvia, lesbian daughter Allegra, friend Jocelyn, French teacher Prudie, senior citizen Bernadette, and bachelor Grigg meet to discuss Jane Austen's works. Over the next few months, each participant's life is influenced differently by personal interpretations of the novels. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller. 2004.

Song of Susannah: The Dark Tower, Volume 6 RC 58365
by Stephen King
read by Fred Major
3 cassettes
The journey to the Dark Tower continues. Possessed by demon-mother Mia, gunslinger Susannah Dean prepares to give birth in New York City. Meanwhile, Roland and Eddie tumble into an ambush in 1977 Maine. Sequel to *Wolves of the Calla (RC 57355)*. Descriptions of sex, violence, and strong language. Bestseller. 2004.

The Southern Belles of Honeysuckle Way RC 58367
by Linda Bruckheimer
read by Erin Jones
3 cassettes
For their mother Lila Mae's seventy-fifth birthday, Rebecca Wooten St. Clair and her sister drive home to Blue Lick Springs, Kentucky, now threatened by powerful developers. Rebecca arrives just in time to help save their ancestral home from the wrecking ball. Sequel to *Dreaming Southern (RC 47967)*. Bestseller. 2004.

Fury of the Mountain Man RC 58371
by William W. Johnstone
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Mountain man Smoke Jensen is summoned to Mexico by old friends Carbone and Martine. The gunslingers-turned-ranchers have angered outlaw Gustavo Carvajal and await Smoke's arrival before taking on an army of bandits in a range war. Some strong language. 1993.

The Ordeal of Jason Ord RC 58376
by Lewis B. Patten
read by John Polk
1 cassette (Reissue)
Wyoming. Kind Jim Hunnicutt hires sixteen-year-old runaway Jason Ord and wills his ranch to the boy. When Jim is killed soon after, Jason flees—pursued by the murderer, by a cattle rustler, and by a sheriff intent on hanging Jason for the crime. Some violence and some strong language. 1973.

Death in Precinct Puerto Rico: A Luis Gonzalo Novel, Book 2 RC 58381
by Steven Torres
read by Alec Volz
2 cassettes
Elena Maldonado is murdered after returning home from the hospital with her newborn baby. Sheriff Luis Gonzalo suspects Elena's drunk and abusive husband whom she planned to divorce. Further violence and a complicated investigation lead to more questions—including who will care for the child. Violence and some strong language. 2003.

The Usual Rules RC 58382
by Joyce Maynard
read by Jill Fox
3 cassettes
Thirteen-year-old Wendy loses her mother on September 11, 2001. Remembering their last, contentious conversation, Wendy torments herself with guilt and grief. Her estranged father's unexpected arrival prompts Wendy to leave her stepdad and half-brother in her quest for healing. For senior high and older readers. 2003.

To Burn RC 58403
by Claudia Dain
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
Barbarian Wulfred enslaves Melania, a defiant Roman woman, when he and fellow Saxon warriors conquer a villa in Britannia. In a battle of wills Wulfred takes her as his wife while Melania plots to kill him despite a growing attraction. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some violence. 2002.

Memorial Day RC 58405
by Vince Flynn
read by Jack Fox
3 cassettes
CIA agent Mitch Rapp leads a commando raid into Pakistan and uncovers an Al Qaeda plot to unleash a nuclear device in the United States on Memorial Day. Even with the bomb successfully disarmed, Rapp fears his team has not thwarted the terrorists' plans. Violence and strong language. Bestseller. 2004.

Buffy the Vampire Slayer: Tales of the Slayer, Volume 2 RC 58427
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
Ten stories spanning the years 980 to 2000. In "Lady Shobu" reluctant heroine Kishi must seal a rift to the spirit realm in the Japanese imperial compound. Other demon slayers, including Buffy, combat evil in France, England, and the United States. For senior high readers. 2003.

Strangers in Town: Three Newly Discovered Mysteries by Ross Macdonald RC 58431
by Ross Macdonald
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
Three previously unpublished detective stories by author Ross Macdonald, born Kenneth Millar (1915–1983). *Death by Water* features investigator Joe Rogers, and *Strangers in Town* and *The Angry Man* both star southern California private eye Lew Archer. Comprehensive introduction by editor Tom Nolan provides biographical information on the author. 2001.

A Good Year RC 58451
by Peter Mayle
read by Steven Crossley
2 cassettes
Londoner Max Skinner's financial career is failing when he learns that he has inherited his uncle's rundown vineyard in Provence, France. Californian Christie Roberts soon arrives to claim her stake in the estate. Meanwhile, a scandal erupts involving a secret stash of wine. Bestseller. 2004.

The Fall of Neskaya: The *Clingfire* Trilogy, Book 1 RC 58454
by Marion Zimmer Bradley and Deborah J. Ross
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Young Coryn Leynier's secret mental gift (*laran*) is discovered by King Damian's brother, who takes the youth away to perfect this unusually strong psychic power. But while Coryn trains, the brothers plot to exploit his abilities in order to rule all Darkover. Precedes *Zandru's Forge (RC 58475)*. Some descriptions of sex. 2001.

Mates, Dates, and Sole Survivors RC 58455
by Cathy Hopkins
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Lucy feels left out when her friends Izzie and Nesta have boyfriends to spend the summer with. After she meets Daniel at a weekend retreat, the two become inseparable. But eventually Lucy is smothered by the relationship and needs a break. For junior and senior high readers. 2002.

***Amber's Mirage* and Other Stories RC 58457**
by Zane Grey
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Five short stories of survival in Arizona's deserts. Includes "The Saga of the Ice Cream Kid," about the West before barbed wire and railroads, and "Amber's Mirage," a romantic tale of a young man's quest for gold and the woman he loves. 1928.

Cat in a Neon Nightmare: A Midnight Louie Mystery RC 58460
by Carole Nelson Douglas
read by J.P. Linton
2 cassettes
Feline detective Midnight Louie enters the Las Vegas crime scene when a high-class call girl is found dead. The main suspect is her last client, radio personality Matt Devine, a friend of Louie's human roommate. Louie and a new partner—his unacknowledged daughter, Miss Midnight Louise—help crack the case. Some strong language. 2003.

When Strangers Marry RC 58461
by Lisa Kleypas
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
New Orleans, 1805. On the run from her abusive stepfather and an arranged marriage, spirited mademoiselle Lysette Kersaint finds herself in the home of wealthy widower Maximilien Vallerand. Discovering that Lysette's betrothed is his own sworn enemy, Max uses her to exact revenge. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1992.

Ten Little Indians: Stories RC 58463
by Sherman Alexie
read by Nick Sullivan
2 cassettes
Nine stories about modern day Native Americans. In "Do You Know Where I Am?" college sweethearts rescue and return a stranded cat to its owners—an act that unexpectedly defines their future relationship. "Search Engine" depicts a student looking for a fellow native who disappeared thirty years earlier after winning a Pulitzer prize for poetry. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2003.

Roma Eterna RC 58464
by Robert Silverberg
read by L.J. Ganser
3 cassettes
Ten connected stories—some previously published—construct a fictional history of Rome from its absorption of neighboring barbarians and conquest of the New World to a second Hebrew exodus via a starship. Various historical stages, which span nearly fifteen hundred years, depict civil war, dictatorship, love affairs, and political intrigue. 1989.

Bad Men: A Thriller RC 58469
by John Connolly
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
Dutch Island, Maine. Suspicious incidents foretell the recurrence of a violent local history. Sensing evil, policeman "Melancholy" Joe Dupree watches over newcomer Marianne Elliot, who is hiding from her abusive husband, Moloch. Soon Moloch's vicious gang approaches the island intent on revenge. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 2004.

The Book of Salt RC 58470
by Monique Truong
read by Frank Coffee
2 cassettes
A fictional account by Bình, a live-in Vietnamese cook for American literary figures Gertrude Stein and Alice B. Toklas, describing his experiences during five years in their Paris household between 1929 and 1934. Interwoven are Bình's reminiscences about his upbringing and troubled past in Vietnam. Some descriptions of sex and some violence. 2003.

The White Road RC 58472
by John Connolly
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
Maine private detective Charlie Parker assists attorney Elliot Norton in South Carolina. They defend a nineteen-year-old African American man accused of killing his wealthy white girlfriend. Parker is soon embroiled in the area's racial tensions. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 2003.

Zandru's Forge: The *Clingfire* Trilogy, Book 2 RC 58475
by Marion Zimmer Bradley and Deborah J. Ross
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
In the uneasy peace following *The Fall of Neskaya (RC 58454)*, three young men develop their *laran* powers—Varzil Ridenow, future king Carolin Hastur, and Eduin Deslucido, who has vowed to avenge his family by destroying the Hastur clan. While Varzil and Carolin grow closer, Eduin plots against the unsuspecting Carolin. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2003.

Mates, Dates, and Sleepover Secrets RC 58476
by Cathy Hopkins
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
T.J. (Theresa Joanne) is lonely when her best friends move away and boys ignore her. When she becomes acquainted with Lucy, T.J. is happy but worries whether Lucy's friends Nesta and Izzie will accept her into their group. For junior and senior high readers. 2002.

Double Helix RC 58477
by Nancy Werlin
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes
Eighteen-year-old Eli Samuels, a superb athlete and student whose mother is dying, works for Dr. Quincy Wyatt, a Nobel Prize-winning genetic engineer. When Eli notices that Kayla, a coworker, eerily resembles his once beautiful mother, he uncovers a shocking family secret. For senior high readers. 2004.

Life Sentence RC 58478
by David Ellis
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
When Jon Soliday, childhood friend and current attorney for state senator Grant Tully, is accused of murder, the investigation leads to a decades-old secret the two men have kept hidden since they were teens. Additional killings and blackmail threaten to unravel their lives. Strong language and some violence. 2003.

People of the Owl: The First North Americans, Volume 11 RC 58480
by Kathleen O'Neal Gear and W. Michael Gear
read by Jim Zeiger
5 cassettes
The adventures of teenaged Mud Puppy, who led the Owl Clan. A tale of clan intrigue, treachery, marriage alliances, and everyday events about 3,500 years ago in North America's first true city, situated in what became northeastern Louisiana. Companion to *People of the Masks (RC 49546)*. Some descriptions of sex and some violence. For senior high and older readers. 2003.

Agatha Raisin and the Haunted House RC 58482
by M.C. Beaton
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
2 cassettes
Shortly after Agatha returns from London, handsome new neighbor Paul, having heard of her sleuthing prowess, offers their services to a crotchety cottager who claims to suffer supernatural

disturbances. Agatha and Paul investigate when elderly Mrs. Witherspoon is later found dead at home. 2003.

Personal Recollections of Joan of Arc RC 58488
by Mark Twain
read by Ken Kliban
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Fictional biography of French heroine Saint Joan of Arc (1412–1431) told from the viewpoint of her page, secretary, and lifelong friend, Sieur Louis de Conte. Describes her early childhood, the "voices" that prompted her to aid the dauphin, the fight for Orleans, and her eventual capture, trial, and martyrdom. 1895.

Bay of Souls RC 58490
by Robert Stone
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
Bored Midwestern college professor Michael Ahearn succumbs to the erotic temptations of a new professor. Leaving behind his wife and son, Michael travels to a Caribbean island at Lara Purcell's invitation and finds himself embroiled in life-threatening decisions regarding love, voodoo, and smuggling. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2003.

Lookin' for Luv RC 58491
by Carl Weber
read by Bill Quinn
3 cassettes
Four African American coworkers at a tough New York City school turn to a telephone dating service. Kevin needs a woman his mother will like. Antoine seeks someone to share his poetry. Tyrone falls for the wife of principal Maurice, who struggles with marriage. Explicit descriptions of sex and strong language. 2000.

If Beale Street Could Talk RC 58492
by James Baldwin
read by Gail Nelson
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Bittersweet love story between nineteen-year-old African American Tish Rivers and her lover, Fonny, who met on the streets as children. Tish is pregnant with their child and remains hopeful, while Fonny, an artisan wrongly accused of rape, awaits trial in jail. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1974.

Comstock Lode RC 58493
by Louis L'Amour
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes (Reissue)
1849. Soon after young Val Trevallion accompanies his family from England to America for a shot at the California gold rush, thieves kill his parents. Orphan Val grows up, becomes a success-ful miner, and awaits the opportunity for revenge. Some violence and some strong language. 1981.

The Hatwearer's Lesson RC 58495
by Yolanda Joe
read by Melissa Maxwell
2 cassettes
Grandma Ollie calls it a bad omen when her pen runs dry as she enters granddaughter Terri's engagement into her Bible. Then Terri, a successful African American attorney, learns her fiancé Derek is cheating. Ollie helps Terri choose between Derek and new love-interest Lynnwood. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2003.

The Heart Is a Lonely Hunter RC 58532
by Carson McCullers
read by Annie Wauters
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Deep South, 1930s. John Singer, who is deaf and mute, feels content until his best friend, also mute, is committed to a mental institution. Singer, who can read lips, becomes the confidante of several town residents, all of whom want answers to their problems. Some strong language. 1940.

Monday Mourning RC 58549
by Kathy Reichs
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
Forensic anthropologist Temperance Brennan, in Montreal to testify at a murder trial, also helps her lover, homicide detective Andrew Ryan, investigate the remains of three women discovered in a pizza parlor basement. A potential witness is also murdered. Violence and strong language. Bestseller. 2004.

Olivia Joules and the Overactive Imagination RC 58550
by Helen Fielding
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
Author of *Bridget Jones's Diary (RC 46267)* introduces English freelance journalist Olivia Joules. While covering a style story in Miami, Olivia is attracted to playboy Pierre Ferramo, an Osama bin Laden look-alike. After a local cruise ship explodes, Olivia crisscrosses the globe to unearth Pierre's secrets. Strong language. Bestseller. 2003.

Kill the Messenger RC 58551
by Tami Hoag
read by Alec Volz
2 cassettes
L.A. bike messenger Jace Damon picks up a delivery from shady lawyer Lenny Lowell. But the address leads to an empty lot, and someone tries to kill him. Returning to Lowell's office, Jace finds cops investigating Lowell's murder. He goes underground with the package. Violence and strong language. Bestseller. 2004.

Ashes to Ashes: An Inner Sanctum Mystery RC 58557
by Emma Lathen
read by Richard Hauenstein
2 cassettes (Reissue)
The New York Archdiocese plans to sell a parochial school to realtors who will replace the building with high-rise apartments. Wall Street banker John Putnam Thatcher, Sloan Guaranty Trust's acting president, finds himself in a legal battle as parishioners fight back. A riot, a bomb scare, and murder ensue. 1971.

Way Station RC 58565
by Clifford D. Simak
read by John Polk
2 cassettes (Reissue)
As keeper of Earth's only galactic transfer station, 124-year-old civil war veteran Enoch Wallace has been attending to visitors and facilitating interstellar communication for over a century. When his charts indicate Earth's impending destruction, his alien friends offer a solution that seems worse than the disaster itself. Hugo Award. 1963.

The Jupiter Myth: A Marcus Didius Falco Mystery RC 58581
by Lindsey Davis
read by George Holmes
3 cassettes
Britannia, A.D. 75. Suave Roman auditor Marcus Didius Falco and his family are still in the island province when the native king dispatches Falco to investigate a royal courtier's murder. The search leads to a female gladiator and criminals from Rome. Sequel to *A Body in the Bathhouse (RC 56614)*. Some violence. 2002.

Second Chance RC 58629
by Danielle Steel
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
At the Paris couture shows, forty-two-year-old Fiona Monaghan, editor-in-chief of a chic New York fashion magazine, falls for conservative advertising executive John Anderson, a widowed father. Their whirlwind romance leads to marriage, divorce, then a passionate rekindling—and a decision to try again. Descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller. 2004.

L'Affaire RC 58631
by Diane Johnson
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Wealthy American Amy Hawkins stays at an exclusive French ski resort as part of her self-improvement plan. Getting involved with the Venn family, two of whom lie comatose in a hospital, lands her in a legal battle. Companion to *Le Mariage (RC 50349)*. Some strong language. 2003.

Some Enchanted Evening RC 58632
by Christina Dodd
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
During a revolution princesses, Clarice, Amy, and Sorcha flee to England for safety. Clarice and Amy end up in Scotland, where Clarice supports them by selling face cream. The earl of Hepburn takes advantage of Clarice while seeking revenge against an enemy. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2004.

Blowout: An FBI Thriller RC 58633
by Catherine Coulter
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Married FBI agents Dillon Savich and Lacey Sherlock curtail their vacation after Supreme Court judge Stewart Califano is strangled in the law library while debating the death penalty for juvenile psychopaths. Later, two of his clerks are also killed. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller. 2004.

The Legacy RC 58634
by R.A. Salvatore
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes
Beleaguered elf Drizzt Do'Urden finally finds peace with friends at Mithril Hall. Restored dwarf king Bruenor Battlehammer rules over his ancestral realm, and Catti-brie prepares to wed Wulfgar. Their tranquility will be short-lived however, because Lloth, the dreaded Spider Queen, plots to destroy them. Followed by *Starless Night (RC 51393)*. 1992.

Last Lullaby: An Eve Diamond Novel RC 58638
by Denise Hamilton
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
L.A. reporter Eve Diamond accompanies a U.S. Customs supervisor meeting a plane from China. Shots ring out leaving three people dead and a two-year-old toddler missing. Eve and a score of unsavory characters search for the child amongst the immigrant population. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 2004.

Fabulous Small Jews RC 58639
by Joseph Epstein
read by Ken Kliban
3 cassettes
Set in Jewish Chicago, eighteen short stories portray characters from different walks of life as they confront change, from impending parenthood to old age. Imbued with Yiddish intonations and armed with wit, Don Juan Zimmerman, Felix Emeritus, the third Mrs. Kessler, and others face the future with aplomb. 2003.

The Body in the Basement: A Faith Fairchild Mystery RC 58641
by Katherine Hall Page
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Faith Fairchild's next-door Maine neighbor, Pix, checks on the Fairchilds' island summer cottage and discovers, wrapped in a valuable quilt, the dead body of Mitchell Pierce, a handyman who dabbled in antiques. Sharing her friend Faith's inquisitive nature, Pix resolves to solve the murder. Includes recipes. Some strong language. 1994.

The Shop on Blossom Street RC 58642
by Debbie Macomber
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
Three diverse women—tough girl Alix, hopeful mother Carol, and unhappy wife Jacqueline—attend a beginners' knitting class hosted by cancer survivor Lydia in her Seattle yarn store. The four become friends and make unexpected discoveries about themselves and each other. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2004.

A Risk Worth Taking RC 58643
by Robin Pilcher
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes
After London financier Dan Porter loses work and money in the dot-com crash, a reduced family lifestyle frustrates his wife and their three teenagers. Dan goes to Scotland on a halfhearted job search and finds something more valuable there. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2004.

Bath Tangle RC 58647
by Georgette Heyer
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes (Reissue)
At the reading of her late father's will, Lady Serena Carlow is outraged to learn her inheritance will be held by a trustee: her former fiancé, the marquis of Rotherham, whom she jilted. She cannot receive her fortune until she weds—with Rotherham's consent. 2004 foreword by Candace Camp. 1955.

Lost City: A Novel from the NUMA Files RC 58714
by Clive Cussler
read by Bob Askey
3 cassettes
Kurt Austin leads the National Underwater and Marine Agency Special Assignments Team in investigating a series of strange occurrences, beginning with bizarre seaweed growth. Now scientists harvesting a life-prolonging enzyme are dying in an Atlantic Ocean area known as the Lost City. Some violence. Bestseller. 2004.

The Body in the Attic: A Faith Fairchild Mystery RC 58716
by Katherine Hall Page
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Caterer and amateur sleuth Faith Fairchild moves to Cambridge, Massachusetts, where her minister husband will teach at Harvard Divinity School. Settling into their temporary home, Faith finds two things disturbing: her ex-boyfriend Richard Morgan's sudden reappearance and a 1946 diary in the attic. Includes recipes. 2004.

Eighteen RC 58719
by Jan Burke
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Eighteen short mystery and suspense stories by Edgar Award winner and author of *Nine (RC 55576)*. In "Mea Culpa," a disabled boy believes his stepfather will kill his mom. Includes "Miscalculation," about the wartime service of the oceanliner *Queen Mary*, "Unharmed," "The Muse," and others. Some violence. 1993.

The Christmas Thief: A Regan Reilly Mystery RC 58834
by Mary Higgins Clark and Carol Higgins Clark
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
During a vacation weekend in Stowe, Vermont, lottery winner Alvirah Meehan and her friend, private investigator Regan Reilly, become involved in the case of a stolen Christmas tree. The tree, designated for Rockefeller Center, connects a scam artist, a swindled waitress, and a sparkling treasure. 2004.

The Broker RC 58930
by John Grisham
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
The CIA pressures lame-duck president Arthur Morgan into releasing jailed lobbyist Joel Backman, who obtained stolen satellite software six years before. The Agency spirits Backman to Italy to use him for bait, leaks his whereabouts—and waits to see who kills him. Some violence and some strong language. Bestseller. 2005.

Books for Children

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Cassettes Nonfiction

To Fly: The Story of the Wright Brothers RC 55613
by Wendie Old
read by Larry Shapiro
1 cassette
Traces the work of brothers Orville and Wilbur Wright from Dayton, Ohio, to Kitty Hawk, North Carolina, as they developed the first engine-propelled flying machine. For grades 3-6. 2002.

The Man Who Ran Faster Than Everyone: The Story of Tom Longboat RC 57534
by Jack Batten
read by Miriam Wagner
1 cassette
Biography of an Onondaga Indian from Canada who was the most famous long-distance runner of the early 1900s. Describes his joy in running, his rise to glory, and his fall to poverty. Also discusses how racial prejudice undermined his life. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2002.

Home on the Moon: Living on a Space Frontier RC 57715
by Marianne J. Dyson
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
Former NASA mission controller describes the Moon's history, resources, unique features, and potential for colonization. Also outlines the likely challenges involved in traveling to the Moon and building lunar outposts. Includes four science experiments. For grades 4-7. 2003.

Welcome to Canada RC 57789
by Alison Auch
read by Constance Crawford
1 cassette
Introduction to Canada, describing its family life, work, food, climate, and social customs. Includes entertaining facts and an Inuit legend. Easy reader. For grades K-3. 2003.

Fight On! Mary Church Terrell's Battle for Integration RC 58093
by Dennis Brindell Fradin and Judith Bloom Fradin
read by Jill Ferris
1 cassette
Biography of Mary Church Terrell (1863–1954), daughter of former slaves, Oberlin College graduate, and decades-long fighter for racial equality. Describes her appointment to the Washington, D.C., Board of Education, cofounding of the NAACP, and successful campaign in her late eighties to desegregate Washington's restaurants. Some strong language. For grades 6-9. 2003.

My eXtra Special Brother: How to Love, Understand, and Celebrate Your Sibling with Special Needs RC 58380
by Carly Heyman
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
Sixteen-year-old author describes growing up having an older brother born with fragile X syndrome, which causes inherited mental impairment. Carly relates stories from her childhood to identify challenges that sib-

lings of a special-needs child have and to suggest ways to cope. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2003.

Let's Find Out about Toothpaste RC 58406
by Kathy Barabas
read by Patricia McDermott
1 cassette
Describes the process of making toothpaste from combining the raw ingredients to shipping the packaged tubes to the store. For preschool-grade 2. 1997.

You and an Illness in Your Family RC 58407
by Tabitha Wainwright
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
Offers practical advice for young people with a seriously ill family member. Uses real-life scenarios to discuss options for coping with tough situations—including death—and for communicating with others. For grades 5-8. 2001.

Shen of the Sea: Chinese Stories for Children RC 58412
by Arthur Bowie Chrisman
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette (Reissue)
Sixteen humorous stories capturing the spirit of Chinese culture and wisdom. In the title piece, a child learns of an ancient king who tried to save his city from flood by outsmarting the water demons. Other tales depict chopstick origins and more. For grades 5-8 and older readers. Newbery Medal. 1925.

Hear Your Heart RC 58426
by Paul Showers
read by Patricia McDermott
1 cassette
Provides a simple explanation of the structure and operation of the human heart. Suggests three easy activities. For grades 2-4. 2001.

Pop! A Book about Bubbles RC 58434
by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley
read by Patricia McDermott
1 cassette
Explains how soap bubbles are made, why they are always round, and why they pop. Recipe and activities included. For grades 2-4. 2001.

Dentist/El Dentista RC 58439
by Jacqueline Laks Gorman
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
Explains the job of dentists, including how they help people and what to expect during a visit to one. Bilingual edition in English and Spanish. For preschool-grade 2. 2002.

It's Fall! RC 58471
by Linda Glaser
read by Barbara Caruso
1 cassette
A child experiences autumn and learns what happens to plants and animals. Suggests nature activities suitable for the season. For preschool-grade 2. 2001.

It's Spring! RC 58474
by Linda Glaser
read by Barbara Caruso
1 cassette
A little boy observes the arrival of spring and its effects on plants and animals. Includes suggestions for nature

study projects. For preschool-grade 2. 2002.

Remember: The Journey to School Integration RC 58483
by Toni Morrison
read by Gail Nelson
1 cassette
An account of the thoughts and feelings of children involved in school desegregation. Provides background to the 1954 groundbreaking *Brown v. Board of Education* Supreme Court decision and the movement to eliminate racist laws. For grades 3-6. 2004.

It's Winter! RC 58489
by Linda Glaser
read by Barbara Caruso
1 cassette
A little girl watches the coming of winter and its effects on the weather, animals, and plants. Includes suggestions for wintertime activities. For preschool-grade 2. 2002.

Moon, Have You Met My Mother? The Collected Poems of Karla Kuskin RC 58496
by Karla Kuskin
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette
Collection combining decades of poems focusing on animals, seasons, magical creatures, and self. For grades K-3 and older readers. 2003.

The *Columbia* Space Shuttle Disaster: From First Liftoff to Tragic Final Flight RC 58504
by Michael D. Cole
read by Steven Carpenter
1 cassette
Details the history of the reusable spaceship *Columbia* from before its first launch in 1981 to its last in 2003 when tragedy struck. Discusses the experiments conducted in space and the craft's heat-tile problems that led to the crash and death of seven astronauts. For grades 5-8. 2003.

Condoleezza Rice: National Security Advisor and Musician RC 58505
by Bernard Ryan
read by Margaret Strom
1 cassette
Biography of African American concert pianist and national security advisor Condoleezza Rice, who was born in segregated Alabama in 1954. Describes her upbringing, education, and careers before her appointment by president George W. Bush. Includes strategies for becoming a musician, college administrator, and government official. For grades 5-8. 2004.

Getting Ready for Space RC 58552
by Carmen Bredeson
read by John Polk
1 cassette
Describes the training astronauts go through to prepare for living conditions on a space shuttle. Easy reader. For grades 2-4. 2003.

Liftoff! RC 58573
by Carmen Bredeson
read by John Polk
1 cassette
A simple overview of some of the preparations for a space shuttle launch. Easy reader. For grades 2-4. 2003.

The Way a Door Closes RC 58637
by Hope Anita Smith
read by Gail Nelson
1 cassette
Thirteen-year-old C.J. describes in thirty-four poems his family's struggles. The first twelve celebrate their

close-knit life while the rest lament abandonment by their father and express hope and healing upon his return. For grades 5-8. 2003.

The Kid Who Named Pluto and the Stories of Other Extraordinary Young People in Science RC 58645
by Marc McCutcheon
read by Lewis Grenville
1 cassette
Profiles of nine students whose scientific inventions made an impact on the world. Includes Louis Braille, who developed a way for blind people to read and write; Philo Farnsworth, who made the first television design; and prolific science fiction writer Isaac Asimov. For grades 4-7. 2004.

Cassettes Fiction

Hour of the Olympics: Magic Tree House, Book 16 RC 54426
by Mary Pope Osborne
read by Gillian Green
1 cassette
When Jack and Annie travel back in time to ancient Greece to find a lost story, they arrive during the Olympics. They discover that girls did not have many rights in those days. For grades 2-4. 1998.

A Tiger Called Thomas RC 56914
by Charlotte Zolotow
read by Peggy Gilleland
1 cassette (Reissue)
Thomas, a shy boy in a new neighborhood, finds that the tiger costume he wears for Halloween gives him unexpected help in making friends. For preschool-grade 2. 1963.

Iqbal RC 57759
by Francesco D'Adamo
read by Lindsay Ellison
1 cassette
A fictionalized account of a Pakistani boy who escaped from bondage in a carpet factory and helped liberate other children from a life of servitude. Relates how Iqbal Masih, at thirteen, is murdered by the "carpet mafia" after winning an international humanitarian award and scholarship to study abroad. For grades 5-8. 2001.

The Warhorse RC 57770
by Don Bolognese
read by Anne Hancock
1 cassette
Renaissance Italy. Fifteen-year-old Lorenzo, the son of the duke's armor maker, is forbidden by his father to become a warrior. When their city-state is attacked, Lorenzo and his prized warhorse join in the fray and experience the horror of war. For grades 5-8. 2003.

Brainboy and the Deathmaster RC 57775
by Tor Seidler
read by Lindsay Ellison
2 cassettes
Twelve-year-old video game whiz Darryl Kirby feels guilty that he's the only family member to survive a fire. Adopted from an orphanage by computer software guru Keith Masterly, Darryl finds himself a captive in Masterly's secret laboratory with other child geniuses working on a compound to stop aging. For grades 5-8. 2003.

The Secret Within RC 57780
by Theresa Martin Golding
read by Anne Hancock
2 cassettes
Thirteen-year-old Carly lives at the New Jersey shore where she dodges her abusive father by sneaking out at night to roam the boardwalk. When a stranger seeks to question her about mysterious packages she delivers for her father, Carly's neighbors suspect him of criminal activities and rally around to help her. For grades 6-9. 2002.

Johnny/Bingo RC 57781
by Browning Norton
read by Ray Childs
1 cassette (Reissue)
Two young boys, Johnny Minor and Binlow "Bingo" Harris, are held hostage by four bank robbers who threaten to harm their families if the children expose them. But Johnny and Bingo escape into the woods and try to find their way home. For grades 4-7. 1971.

Straw into Gold RC 57926
by Gary D. Schmidt
read by Christopher Walker
1 cassette
When the king gives Tousle and blind Innes a riddle to solve in seven days or be killed, the boys journey to an abbey for the banished queen's help. They discover the mystery of their births, Rumpelstiltskin's identity, and the reason for a baby prince's abduction. For grades 5-8. 2001.

Lionboy: The First Book in a Trilogy RC 58007
by Zizou Corder
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
When an asthma epidemic rages in the near future, Charlie, who can speak the language of cats, sets out from London to seek his kidnapped scientist parents. He ends up on a Paris-bound circus ship and learns to train lions. For grades 4-7. 2003.

Grim Tuesday: The Keys to the Kingdom, Book 2 RC 58042
by Garth Nix
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Following his adventures in *Mister Monday (RC 57998)*, Arthur Penhaligon faces another crisis. The safety of his family and the world is threatened unless Arthur repays his old loans. But to do so he must return to the magical world. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 2004.

Sammy Keyes and the Search for Snake Eyes: A Sammy Keyes Mystery RC 58117
by Wendelin Van Draanen
read by Erin Jones
1 cassette
A girl, frightened and running from a gang member, leaves her baby with thirteen-year-old Sammy Keyes at the mall. Sammy sets out to find the young mother after turning the child over to Officer Borsch. Meanwhile Sammy's teammates plot to remove her from the softball team. For grades 5-8. 2002.

The Phantom of 86th Street RC 58130
by Paul Zindel
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
P.C. Hawke and his friend Mackenzie Riggs suspect that a serial murderer is targeting passengers on New York City's 86th Street bus route. Their investigation leads them to several potential suspects at a local hospital. For grades 4-7. 2002.

White Midnight RC 58170
by Dia Calhoun
read by Mark Ashby
2 cassettes
Timid fifteen-year-old Rose is a bondgirl at Greengarden Orchard. The master promises her family its freedom if Rose will marry his frightening grandson, kept locked in the attic. With war raging, Rose agrees and uncovers a family secret. Companion to *Firegold (RC 49981)*. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2003.

John Bellairs's Lewis Barnavelt in *The Beast under the Wizard's Bridge* RC 58247
by Brad Strickland
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Lewis Barnavelt, living with his wizard uncle, tries to avert disaster when the destruction of an old bridge threatens to release a diabolical force—the legacy of a long-dead evil magician. Lewis's friend Rose Rita and magical Mrs. Zimmermann help him struggle to defeat the spell. For grades 5-8. 2000.

In Darkness, Death RC 58269
by Dorothy Hoobler and Thomas Hoobler
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Eighteenth-century Japan. Young Seikei helps his foster father, Judge Ooka, investigate a samurai's murder. One clue, an origami butterfly, leads Seikei and a former ninja on a long journey to find the assassin. Sequel to *The Demon in the Teahouse (RC 53402)*. Some violence. For grades 6-9. 2004.

Death on the Amazon RC 58387
by Paul Zindel
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
P.C. Hawke and his buddy Mackenzie Riggs accompany P.C.'s archaeologist dad to Peru to escort a mummy down the Amazon River. An obnoxious Texas millionaire is murdered on the boat. But with no police nearby, it's up to P.C. and Mac to question the superstitious passengers. For grades 4-7. 2002.

The Cat Who Went to Heaven RC 58398
by Elizabeth Coatsworth
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette (Reissue)
Soon after adopting a lucky three-colored cat, a poor Japanese artist is hired to paint a masterpiece. The devoted pet watches patiently as the man draws the animals Buddha has blessed. At last he draws a cat and earns a special miracle. For grades 4-7. Newbery Medal. 1930.

Ginger Pye RC 58399
by Eleanor Estes
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette (Reissue)
Ten-year-old Jerry Pye and his younger sister Rachel get a new puppy and name him Ginger. When Ginger disappears, the adventurous children set out to find him. They suspect the little dog has been spirited away by a mysterious stranger wearing a yellow hat. For grades 3-6. Newbery Medal. 1951.

Memorial Day Surprise RC 58420
by Theresa Martin Golding
read by Erin Jones
1 cassette
Marco's mother promises him a surprise at the Memorial Day parade. He thinks all the participants are the special treat until he spots his abuelo, or grandfather, in a wheelchair and uniform leading the rest of the veterans. For preschool-grade 2. 2004.

Al Capone Does My Shirts RC 58456
by Gennifer Choldenko
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes
1935. Twelve-year-old Moose Flanagan moves to Alcatraz Island when his father takes a job at the maximum-security prison there. Moose struggles to make friends and cares for his older autistic sister while their mother applies for the girl's acceptance to a special school. For grades 6-9. 2004.

Nate the Great and the Big Sniff RC 58462
by Marjorie Weinman Sharmat and Mitchell Sharmat
read by Tere Mele
1 cassette
Boy detective Nate the Great follows clues to find his lost dog, Sludge, in a department store. Beginning chapter book. For grades K-3. 2001.

Bounty Hunters: Left Behind—The Kids, Book 34 RC 58466
by Jerry B. Jenkins and Tim LaHaye
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
Vicki and her fellow believers must make a desperate decision: flee their safe house or stay and face the threat? Meanwhile, Judd and Lionel take great risks to return to their friends in the United States. Sequel to *Attack on Petra (RC 58453)*. For grades 5-8. 2004.

The Rise of False Messiahs: Left Behind—The Kids, Book 35 RC 58473
by Jerry B. Jenkins and Tim LaHaye
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
The Global Community goes on the attack. Young Tribulation Force member Vicki prays for fellow believers Judd and Lionel, who have been captured by mercenaries. In Petra meanwhile, Sam and Mr. Stein concoct a daring rescue plan. Sequel to *Bounty Hunters (RC 58466)*. For grades 5-8. 2004.

Ominous Choices: Left Behind—The Kids, Book 36 RC 58481
by Jerry B. Jenkins and
Tim LaHaye
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
Young Tribulation Force members struggle amid the chaos. While returning to their fellow believers in Wisconsin, Lionel is hurt and Judd rushes for help. In New Babylon meanwhile, Chang hears reports of coming disaster. Sequel to *The Rise of False Messiahs (RC 58473)*. For grades 5-8. 2004.

Bernie Magruder and the Bats in the Belfry RC 58518
by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
As Halloween approaches, Bernie Magruder, of the Bessledorf Hotel family, is determined to identify some dangerous new bats in Middleburg. They are roosting in the church belfry, whose annoying bells ring hourly, night and day, as requested in wealthy Mrs. Scuttlefoot's will. For grades 4-7. Edgar Award. 2003.

A Fine St. Patrick's Day RC 58559
by Susan Wojciechowski
read by Erin Jones
1 cassette
The towns of Tralee and Tralah prepare to compete in the annual St. Patrick's Day decorating contest. Boastful Tralah always comes out on top until a leprechaun fixes it so that Tralee finally wins the shamrock trophy. For grades K-3. 2004.

Including Alice RC 58564
by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Fifteen-year-old Alice McKinley has difficulty adjusting to the changes in her life after her father finally decides to remarry and her older brother Lester moves into his own apartment. Gradually she begins to appreciate her new family. For grades 6-9. 2004.

A Hat Full of Sky RC 58636
by Terry Pratchett
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Witch trainee Tiffany Aching from *The Wee Free Men (RC 56709)* learns more about magic and responsibility. She battles a disembodied monster with help from the six-inch-high blue men and Mistress Weatherwax, the greatest witch in the world. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2004.

April Fool! RC 58720
by Karen Gray Ruelle
read by Tere Mele
1 cassette
Harry, his little sister Emily, and their parents all play tricks on each other for April Fools' Day. Beginning chapter book. For grades K-3. 2002.

Foreign Language Books

The following cassette titles are available in the languages designated.

Spanish

Armagedón: La Batalla Cósmica de Todos los Tiempos (Armageddon: The Cosmic Battle of the Ages) RC 56968

por Tim LaHaye y
Jerry B. Jenkins
leído por Juan Ramírez
3 cassettes
En el último año de la Gran Tribulación, se forjan nuevas alianzas cuando mueren varios miembros del Comando Tribulación. Y el mundo se convierte en un peligroso barril de pólvora cuando millones de personas se juntan en el Medio Oriente con el anticristo para librar la guerra y esperar la Manifestación Gloriosa. Sigue a *El Remanente (RC 54954)*. Violencia. [In the Great Tribulation's last year, new alliances form when many members of the force die. Then the world becomes a powder keg as millions gather for war with the Antichrist in the Middle East, where they await the Glorious Appearing. Sequel to *El Remanente (RC 54954)*. Violence.] 2003.

Las Llanuras del Tránsito (The Plains of Passage) RC 56971

por Jean M. Auel
leído por María Pino
7 cassettes en 2 envases
Ayla emprende un viaje peligroso con su amante Jondalar en busca de la gente de Jondalar por las anchas praderas de la Europa de la Edad del Hielo. Cuarto libro de "Los Hijos de la Tierra." Sigue a *Los Cazadores de Mamuts (RC 56960)*. Contiene descripciones explícitas de índole sexual. [Ayla undertakes a dangerous journey with her lover Jondalar back to his people across the plains of Ice-Age Europe. Fourth volume of the Earth's Children saga. Sequel to *Los Cazadores de Mamuts (RC 56960)*. Explicit descriptions of sex.] 1991.

Sueños: Lo que Significan para Usted (Dreams and What They Mean to You) RC 56978

por Migene González-Wippler
leído por Juan Ramírez
2 cassettes
Una psicóloga de sueños explica por qué soñamos, repasando la historia y teoría de los sueños, y enseñando cómo interpretarlos , recordarlos, controlarlos, y cómo evitar las pesadillas. La segunda parte del libro comprende un diccionario de los símbolos, eventos y objetos que se ven en los suenos. (A psychologist explains why we dream. Discusses the history and theory of dreaming; interpreting, recording, and controlling dreams; and avoiding nightmares. Includes a dictionary of the symbols, events, and objects associated with dreams.) 1996.

El General en Su Laberinto (The General in His Labyrinth) RC 56982

por Gabriel García Márquez
leído por Peter Gil
2 cassettes
Novela de los últimos siete meses de la vida de Simón Bolívar, el "Gran Liberator" de América del Sur. Sabiendo que la muerte está cerca, el General emprende un nostálgico viaje por el río Magdalena hacia el mar, donde revive las pasiones, los triunfos y las

traiciones de una vida épica. Contiene algunos lenguaje injurioso. (Fictional account of the last seven months of Simón Bolívar's life. Knowing his end is near, South America's "Great Liberator" makes a final journey down the Magdalena River to the sea, reflecting back on a lifetime's passions, triumphs, and failures. Some strong language.) 1989.

Que Bailen Sus Espíritus (Let Their Spirits Dance) RC 56983

por Stella Pope Duarte
leído por María Pino
3 cassettes
Treinta años después de la pérdida de su hermano mayor en Vietnam, Teresa y su familia todavía lidian con las héridas de dolor y tristeza. Ahora, la madre de Teresa quiere visitar el monumento del Muro de Vietnam en Washington, D.C., y Teresa y sus hermanos superan sus problemas personales para acompañarla. Contiene lenguaje injurioso. (Thirty years after losing her older brother in Vietnam, Teresa and her family are still grieving. Because their elderly mother wants to travel cross country to visit the Vietnam Memorial, Teresa and her siblings put aside their personal problems and decide to accompany her. Strong language.) 2003.

Conmigo Día tras Día: Momentos para la Reflexión (With Me Day after Day) RC 56985

por Juan Pablo II
leído por Luis Alfonso Omana
4 cassettes
Compendio de los escritos y sermones del Papa Juan Pablo II que ofrecen instrucción, inspiración y oraciones para cada dia del año y que se tratan de temas como "compartir con otros," "estar en paz," "la gran prueba divina," "la familia cristiana en el mundo moderno" y "la oración en familia." (Collection of the writings and sermons of Pope John Paul II arranged to provide instruction, inspiration, and prayer for each day of the year. Themes include sharing with others, being at peace, divine revelations, the Christian family in the modern world, and praying as a family.) 1984.

El Reino del Dragón de Oro (The Kingdom of the Golden Dragon) RC 58103

por Isabel Allende
leído por María Pino
2 cassettes
En una nueva expedición por parte del *International Geographic*, Alexander y Nadia viajan al Reino del Dragón de Oro que se sitúa en los remotos picos helados del Himalaya. Pronto se ven aliados con nuevos amigos luchando para salvar el reino de intrusos voraces. Sigue a *La Ciudad de las Bestias (RC 54960)*. Para alumnos secundarios y lectores mayores. [On their latest *International Geographic* expedition to the Kingdom of the Golden Dragon in the remote Himalayas, Alexander and Nadia team up with new friends to save the realm from intruders. Sequel to *La Ciudad de las Bestias (RC 54960)*. For senior high and older readers.] 2003.

El Dentista/Dentist RC 58439
por Jacqueline Laks Gorman
leído por Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
Describe el trabajo del dentista y cómo el dentista ayuda a la gente. Explica qué se puede esperar cuando se visita al dentista. Para niños preescolares hasta el grado 2. Edición bilingüe en inglés y español. (Explains the job of dentists, including how they help people and what to expect during a visit to one. Bilingual edition in English and Spanish. For preschool-grade 2.) 2002.

El Pan de la Guerra (Breadwinner) RC 58951
por Deborah Ellis
leído por María Pino
1 cassette
Los talibanes, el grupo extremista religioso, reinan en Kabul, Afganistán, e imponen estrictas prohibiciones contra la libertad y conducta de las mujeres y niñas. Arrestan al padre de Parvana, y ahora Parvana, una niña de once años, tiene que disfrazarse de muchacho para que ayude a sobrevivir a la familia. Para grados 5 a 8 y lectores mayores. (The Taliban rulers in Kabul, Afghanistan, impose strict limitations on women's freedom and behavior. Eleven-year-old Parvana must disguise herself as a boy so that her family can survive after her father's arrest. For grades 5-8 and older readers.) 2000.

Magazines on Cassette

For a free subscription to these magazines, contact your cooperating library.

American Heritage (8 issues)
Analog Science Fiction and Fact (11 issues)
Asimov's Science Fiction (11 issues)
The Atlantic Monthly (11 issues; combined issue July–August)
Das Beste aus *Reader's Digest* (German; 12 issues)
Bon Appétit (monthly)
Buenhogar (Spanish; monthly)
Choice Magazine Listening (on loan from cooperating libraries, bimonthly)
Consumer Reports (monthly)
Contemporary Sound Track: A Review of Pop, Jazz, Rock, and Country (bimonthly)
Cricket (for children, on one cassette with **National Geographic World**; monthly)
Diabetes Forecast (monthly)
Discover (monthly)
Ebony (monthly)
Ellery Queen's Mystery Magazine (11 issues)
Foreign Affairs (6 issues)
Good Housekeeping (monthly plus special issues)
Health and Nutrition Newsletters (includes **Dr. Andrew Weil's Self Healing, The Johns Hopkins Medical Letter—Health after Fifty, Mayo Clinic Health Letter,** and **Nutrition Action Healthletter;** monthly)
Horticulture (6 issues)
Journal Français (French; monthly)
Magazine of the Month (monthly)
Money (monthly plus special issues)
The Musical Mainstream (quarterly)
The Nation (47 issues)
National Geographic (monthly)
National Geographic World (for children and teens, on one cassette with **Cricket;** monthly)
National Review (25 issues)
The *New York Times* Book Review (weekly)
Outdoor Life (10 issues; combined issues June–July, December–January)
People (weekly plus special issues)
QST (monthly)
Quarterly Music Magazine (quarterly)
Selecciones del *Reader's Digest* (Spanish; monthly)
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In Brief

The following information is reprinted from two issues of NLS *Flash*, a newsletter created to bring current information on NLS progress in digital technology to patrons, library staff, and other interested individuals.

Flash, August 2005, volume 1, issue 9

The digital transition: a progress report

The National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS), Library of Congress, is making significant progress with the audio-to-digital conversion project. Early sketches and models of the player and flash cartridge have been developed; many electronic components have been investigated and identified; a quality-assurance plan to guide the development of the player's software has been created; and more than four thousand books have been digitized.

It has not been easy. "In this transition, much of the talking-book program is changing, which means that many complex projects are under way simultaneously," says Frank Kurt Cylke, NLS director. "Designing players, developing digital talking-book cartridges, and building evaluation tools are each huge tasks, involving complicated processes."

To keep the project moving forward, NLS has hired a variety of outside contractors. Battelle and HumanWare are designing the best exterior shell for the player, a critical decision that affects the layout of controls. Two other contractors, the Trace Center and the National Federa-

tion of the Blind, are set to run a second round of usability tests on the controls this month. David Andrews of the Minnesota State Services for the Blind has provided a consumer perspective to the project. "Design engineers are tackling tough issues such as storing the power cord, housing the speaker for maximum audio quality, integrating the handle, and inserting and removing cartridges," states Michael Moodie, NLS deputy director.

Another contractor, ManTech, has created a comparative analysis of the costs for distribution models for digital talking books, especially mass duplication and a hybrid version. ManTech also created a decision-making matrix that will help NLS staff select the right distribution system using four overarching criteria: impact on patrons, cost, complexity of implementation, and risk or vulnerability.

Protecting content

The Chafee Amendment relaxes copyright infringement laws for not-for-profit organizations who reproduce and distribute books for blind and physically handicapped readers, as long as special formats are used. For the current project, this required protection is called digital rights management (DRM).

According to Neil Bernstein, NLS research and development officer, "DRM utilizes encryption to allow access to digital book files by eligible readers only. In our system, all NLS patrons get the keys to unlock the book. The general public will not be able to read it."

NLS is developing an improved DRM system that is compatible with international systems. The standard, when universally accepted, will dramatically streamline international interlibrary loan procedures.

Development of the DRM is an international effort involving the world's top experts on digital talking books. "Many of these people were instrumental in creating the original standards for digital talking books," Bernstein notes. Bernstein works with software engineers, hardware and software manufacturers, and consultants. A DRM expert is providing design and technical consultation. The committee has solicited feedback and recommendations from consumer groups and publishers. Specifications will be completed in December 2005 and sent to Retrieval Systems, an NLS contractor, to build the latest DRM tool.

Retrieval Systems has already designed three tools for NLS. These include the Quality Assurance Player, a PC-based player that allows a quality assurance expert to review a book and verify that it will play and navigate properly; NLS VAL, a software tool that runs dozens of automated tests on a book to check it against specifications and report problems; and DTB Prep, which compresses raw audio and applies an earlier form of DRM protection. The new DRM software will be more flexible and have a stronger encryption system than the current DTB Prep tool.

Book production

NLS started creating digital audio files in 2002. By 2004, all new titles were digitally recorded for production of NLS cassette books. NLS had some experience

with digital audio, but it's been a learning process.

Talking books were once recorded on open-reel analog tape for duplication onto cassettes for circulation. Now master copies are recorded as audio files using a variety of digital recording systems. These digital files are then marked to highlight navigation points.

Creating solutions

In constructing the digital talking book, NLS strives to ensure that the capabilities of ANSI/NISO Z39.86-2002, the national DTB standard, are applied in a useful manner. This is not a simple task. Print books are simply too varied in the way they are laid out. NLS and its producers must therefore assess each book and decide how best to mark it for ease of use by the reader. A novel only needs to have each chapter marked, but a cookbook will require much more markup to allow easy access to recipes and the ability to step through a list of ingredients one by one.

Once a digital talking book is finished, a software check is conducted to confirm that the file meets the standard requirements.

Flash, September 2005, volume 1, issue 10

DTB audio player refined in second round of user tests

Practice makes perfect. To the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS), Library of Congress, this makes perfect sense. That is why meticulous, ongoing evaluation is key to developing the digital talking-book machine (DTBM). NLS recently completed the second in a series of eight usability tests on the latest player model, an essential step toward finalizing requirements and design.

Four main goals guided these tests: validating user-interface design and defining priorities for basic and advanced players; defining patron understanding and use of primary DTBM features; gathering feedback on player design and specific physical features; and lastly, improving the design and development of the models to be tested in round three.

"With each round of testing, NLS gains a deeper understanding of user and librarian needs, which helps us further refine player capabilities and design," says Frank Kurt Cylke, NLS director. "Patron and librarian feedback is essential to building the best machine possible."

Sixty-nine current and potential patrons—with varied visual, physical, and cognitive impairments—participated in the study. Users ranged from children to seniors and were grouped by gender, age, and skill. Testing was facilitated by the National Federation of the Blind (NFB) in Baltimore and Cleveland and by the Trace Research and Development Center of the University of Wisconsin at Madison. Interviews with library staff also yielded valuable insight into the system's functionality.

"This series of usability tests was intended to see if engineers are getting the design right from the perspective of librarians and patrons," notes Michael Moodie, NLS deputy director. "From the results of these tests, we will be able to validate and refine some requirements

and turn them into specifications for the machine."

For the first time, users conducted operational tasks on models of digital talking-book cartridges and players. The models incorporated ideas from initial user tests. While constructed of a special modeling foam, these models had functional buttons that were connected to actual digital talking-book recordings to simulate reading.

Operational tasks conducted on the player reflected typical usage scenarios. Testers examined the accessibility of basic functions, including primary and secondary controls and player features. All features needed to be obvious to patrons with varied capabilities and player experience.

The users appraised the shape, placement, tactile appeal, and ease of use of control buttons and the logic and clarity of navigation features. They assessed player size and appearance, cartridge insertion, power cord storage, and the use of the retractable handle and headphone jack.

NLS's top priority is producing a player that is both easy to use and navigation-friendly. "You can put in all the bells and whistles in the world, but if the user doesn't understand how to operate the machine, it's worthless," emphasizes Michael Katzmann, head of the NLS Engineering Section. "Player features must be obvious to users."

Librarians were interested primarily in maintenance issues such as cleaning players, re-labeling cartridges, stacking DTBMs for storage, and mailing-container handling. Librarians also desired a method for patrons to notify them of cartridge problems on return.

Testing does not stop with users. Engineers conduct their own field tests to ensure that the player meets NLS's high standards. The player must survive tough endurance exercises and still be functional. It must withstand a series of drops on all sides from as high as three feet, and resist scratches, spills, vermin, and extreme temperatures. Additional software-based testing evaluates its technical specifications.

Patron priorities

According to Robert Fistick, acting chief, Materials Development Division, usability testing helps NLS pinpoint patron priorities so that the player is designed to meet their top needs. The findings reveal that patrons continue to value accessibility, usability, portability, and that easy maintenance continues to be the highest priority for librarians and repair personnel.

Users suggested improvements to audio instructions housed in the player. They also expressed preferences on handle positioning, cord storage compartment, and the cartridge mailing container.

Moodie stated that "All of these findings are significant because they will be evaluated and incorporated into the ongoing design and development process for the cartridge and player."

Based on the findings, engineers will explore several recommendations for improvement including changes to control layout, behavior, and complexity; cartridge insertion; and cord storage methods.

Survival of the fittest
Creating an optimal player is difficult. Engineers must negotiate many competing requirements before finalizing the design.

Conflicts often relate to portability and accessibility. For example, deciding between long-running batteries and portability is a big issue. Higher battery capacity involves increasing the size and weight of the player, which ultimately inhibits portability and increases cost. A sleek yet stackable player design is another challenge. A rounded top may be stylish but it is impractical for storage and handling. In this case, form should follow function.

NLS strives for a happy medium and makes trade-offs based on the best interests of patrons and librarians.

Digital talking-book (DTB) milestones

Completed

- Defined and prioritized DTB features
- Coordinated development and publication of *Specifications for the Digital Talking Book* (ANSI/NISO Z39.86)
- Simulated a DTB player using a personal computer
- Developed a computer-based, life-cycle cost analysis (LCC) model for the NLS system and for candidate digital systems
- Developed computer software for DTB production and presentation
- Developed software to test conformance of players and DTBs with the ANSI/NISO standard
- User survey
- Player transition study
- Distribution medium study
- Player and medium design contract awarded
- Distribution system design contract awarded

Start 1/12/04–Finish 10/1/08
The following ongoing projects, set to conclude by 2008, are shown with start dates in parathenses.

- Web-Magazine pilot (1/12/04)
- Digital data management system development (11/01/04)
- Player and medium development (03/01/05)
- Distribution system design and transition planning (3/15/05)
- Design DTB containers and labels (6/01/05)
- Web-Book pilot (6/01/05)
- Prepare DTBs for distribution (10/1/05)
- Circulation systems design (12/1/05)
- Manufacture initial lot of DTB containers and labels (9/01/06)
- Distribution system implementation (10/1/06)
- Circulation systems implementation (10/1/06)
- Media production (3/01/07)
- Media duplication (5/01/07)
- Full player production (9/01/07)

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Newsstand

The following announcement may be of interest to readers. The National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped reserves the right to publish announcements selectively, as space permits. Items mentioned, however, are not part of the NLS program, and their listing does not imply endorsement.

Mail-order catalogs on cassette

Home Readers, a not-for-profit organization, is now offering more than twenty-five popular mail-order catalogs on four-track cassette free of charge, to make shopping more convenient. There is a wide variety of catalogs to choose from including clothing, music, old time radio, food, gifts, pet products, health and beauty, practical solutions, housewares, and home decor. The cassettes cover all text and product descriptions available in the print catalogs. For a free copy of the fall/winter 2005 Home Readers catalog, call toll-free 1-877-814-7323 or visit the web site at www.homereaders.com.

Books for Adults

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including biographies, classics, gothics, mysteries, romances, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, contact your cooperating library.

Note: For the information of the reader, a notice may appear immediately following the book description to indicate occurrences of strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, or violence. The word "some" before any of these terms indicates an occasional or infrequent occurrence, as in "some strong language."

Cassettes Nonfiction

Sacred Geography: A Tale of Murder and Archeology in the Holy Land RC 56683

by Edward Fox
read by Geoffrey Centlivre
2 cassettes
When sixty-seven-year-old American archeologist Albert Glock was murdered in 1992 in the West Bank, he was close to publishing a book on his lifework—excavating a site establishing historic Palestinian roots. A journalist investigates why he might have been killed. 2001.

Triangle: The Fire That Changed America RC 57638

by David Von Drehle
read by Eric Synnestvedt
3 cassettes
Chronicles the March 25, 1911, New York City garment factory fire that claimed the lives of 146 workers—mostly young immigrant women and children. Details the social conditions and strikes that preceded the tragedy, the trial for manslaughter (and acquittal) of the sweatshop's owners, and the workplace reforms that followed. Violence. 2003.

The Natural History of the Rich: A Field Guide RC 57761

by Richard Conniff
read by Ray Childs
3 cassettes
Award-winning journalist explores similar social patterns of affluent humans and wild animals in this humorous but authentic zoomorphic study. Conniff observes the natural behaviors of the superwealthy socioeconomic class, including mating rituals, displays of dominance, and survival mechanisms to ensure their status is passed on to their offspring. 2002.

I Believe in Miracles: Streams of Healing from the Heart of a Woman of Faith RC 57763

by Kathryn Kuhlman
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Ordained minister presents twenty-one cases of believers who claimed to be healed of medically incurable disorders with the help of her prayers and the power of faith. Foreword by for-

mer congressman Samuel A. Weiss. 1992.

Oz Clarke's New Encyclopedia of Wine RC 57846

by Oz Clarke
read by John Richardson
10 cassettes in 2 containers
Wine expert Clarke begins with the premise that the new world of wine offers endless choices and expands every year. More than 1,500 entries comprise his alphabetical listing of wines, grapes, growing regions, and producers. Also provides hints on choosing red, white, and sparkling wines. 2003.

The Quick and Easy Way to Effective Speaking: Modern Techniques for Dynamic Communication RC 57868

by Dale Carnegie
read by Dave Corey
2 cassettes
Fourth revision of the classic public speaking guide by the author of *How to Win Friends and Influence People (RC 53469)*. Covers developing confidence, choosing a subject, knowing your audience, and delivering the talk. Stresses practice and proper attitude for clear self-expression in business, social, and personal situations. 1962.

Ace of Aces: The Life of Capt. Eddie Rickenbacker RC 58137

by H. Paul Jeffers
read by Richard Hauenstein
3 cassettes
A biography of captain Eddie Rickenbacker (1890–1973), the much decorated "Ace of Aces" who destroyed twenty-six enemy planes in World War I. Fascinated with engines and speed, he began his career as a race-car driver, becoming third-ranked in the country. He later founded Eastern Airlines. 2003.

Survivors: True Tales of Endurance RC 58169

edited by John B. Letterman
read by Dan Toohey
4 cassettes
Twenty-three writings selected by the editor as the most "exciting, moving, and inspiring pieces ever written about human courage and perseverance" from the sixteenth to twentieth centuries. Primarily firsthand accounts, they include the *Essex* whaling ship wreck, astronaut James Lovell's harrowing adventure aboard Apollo 13, and Senator John McCain's POW experiences. 2003.

The Book Club Cookbook: Recipes and Food for Thought from Your Book Club's Favorite Books and Authors RC 58177

by Judy Gelman and
Vicki Levy Krupp
read by Barbara Pinolini
4 cassettes
Each of one hundred entries includes a synopsis of a popular book club selection, an explanation of the role food plays in that book, recipes based on those foods, and a profile of the recommending book club. 2004.

Ten Rings: My Championship Seasons RC 58208

by Yogi Berra
read by Michael Scherer
1 cassette
Autobiography by baseball Hall of Fame catcher highlighting his ten championship seasons with the New

York Yankees between 1947 and 1962. Recalls the "golden years" of baseball, his famous contemporaries, and rival teams and relates how the game has changed since the 1950s. 2003.

Game Time: A Baseball Companion RC 58307

by Roger Angell
read by Eric Synnestvedt
3 cassettes
Sportswriter Steve Kettmann compiles his favorite Roger Angell baseball essays, spanning 1962–2002. The pieces profile players such as Willie Mays, Bob Gibson, Pete Rose, and David Cone, as well as the various teams and spring training camps that he's studied. Introduction by Richard Ford. 2003.

Kate's Journey: Triumph over Adversity; the Story of a Miracle RC 58321

by Kate Adamson
read by Vanessa Maroney
2 cassettes
Author recounts her survival against immense odds after suffering a brain stem stroke that left her completely paralyzed at the age of thirty-three. Describes the physical and emotional challenges she overcame and the lessons she learned on her long road to recovery. 2004.

Sister Nations: Native American Women Writers on Community RC 58347

edited by Heid E. Erdrich and Laura Tohe
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
In poems, short stories, and essays, contemporary American Indian women—some young, some older—share their feelings and insights about their sense of community. This anthology is grouped by themes: Changing Women, Strong Hearts, New Age Pocahontas, and In the Arms of the Skies. 2002.

My Invented Country: A Nostalgic Journey through Chile RC 58348

by Isabel Allende
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
The famous author remembers her childhood home, Chile, which she left after the death of her uncle in a 1973 military coup. She talks about Chile's history, nostalgic memories of her family, and her life as an exile in her new home, the United States. 2003.

Opening Mexico: The Making of a Democracy RC 58349

by Julia Preston and Samuel Dillon
read by Ted Stoddard
4 cassettes
Pulitzer Prize-winning reporters examine Mexico's July 2000 revolution that ended a despotic, one-party rule. Includes history of political events and pivotal players in the rise of pluralistic democracy. Describes changes such as ballot and legislative reform, presiden-

tial power limitations, and improved human rights. 2004.

The Working Poor: Invisible in America RC 58355

by David K. Shipler
read by Robert Sams
3 cassettes
Pulitzer Prize-winning author analyzes an ethnically and racially diverse cross-section of impoverished, low-paid working Americans. Shipler traces their poverty to interlocking problems of poor education and wages, limited abilities, bad parenting, unwise spending, and lack of health insurance. Recommends higher minimum wage, vocational training, and voter registration, among other remedies. 2004.

I Seat Myself to Write You a Few Lines: Civil War and Homestead Letters from Thomas Lucas and Family RC 58374

edited by Dona Bayard Sauerburger and
Thomas Lucas Bayard
read by Roy Avers
5 cassettes
Chronicles the life and times of the Lucas family in hundreds of letters. Reveals pivotal events such as Thomas Lucas joining the First Pennsylvania Cavalry to fight in the Civil War and, decades later, the family migration to Nebraska to homestead. 2002.

In the Shadows of War: An American Pilot's Odyssey through Occupied France and the Camps of Nazi Germany RC 58383

by Thomas Childers
read by Fred Major
4 cassettes
Interwoven stories of WWII pilot Roy Allen, who parachuted from his burning B-17 over occupied France, and two French youths—schoolteacher Colette Florin and resistance leader Pierre Mulsant—who risked their lives to save him. Details Allen's eventual capture by the Gestapo, his experiences in several concentration and POW camps, and liberation. Violence. 2002.

Solving Home Plumbing Problems RC 58410

by Gary Branson
read by Butch Hoover
1 cassette
Former contractor and editor of *Home Handyman* magazine offers guidance on repairing and maintaining household plumbing systems. Covers the basics of replacing fixtures; fixing leaks; working with copper, plastic, and steel pipe; maintaining drains; remodeling for wheelchair use; and coping with minor emergencies. Includes information on useful tools and safety. 2004.

What about the Kids? Raising Your Children before, during, and after Divorce RC 58417
by Judith S. Wallerstein and Sandra Blakeslee
read by Carol Dines
3 cassettes
A guide to helping children of all ages cope with the process of divorce and remarried family life. Authors identify the three major challenges facing parents: getting their own lives in order, preparing their kids for and supporting them through the breakup, and building a new relationship with the ex-spouse. 2003.

Jon Bon Jovi RC 58423
by Laura Jackson
read by Alec Volz
2 cassettes
Biography of songwriter and rock star Bon Jovi, born in 1962. Traces his career from small New Jersey club gigs to formation of his own band in 1983 and subsequent award-winning albums. Also describes his film and TV acting roles. Some strong language. For senior high and older readers. 2003.

Blue Blood RC 58424
by Edward Conlon
read by Roy Avers
5 cassettes
Author of the *New Yorker* magazine's "Cop Diary" columns, who joined the NYPD in 1995, reveals the hidden world of the fraternity of cops. Covers his family's police background, his rookie days in public housing, and his experience working on September 11, 2001. Violence and strong language. 2004.

Win Her with Dinner: Food, Booze, and Tunes for Cooking Up the Perfect Evening RC 58515
by Doug Veith and Tom Greenwood
read by Mark Ashby
1 cassette
Although intended for guys cooking for girls, this home entertainment guide is helpful to anyone who wants to prepare a meal but doesn't know where to begin. Accompanying the twenty-four step-by-step recipes are ingredient and equipment lists plus recommendations for drinks and background music. 2004.

Essential Musical Intelligence: Using Music as Your Path to Healing, Creativity, and Radiant Wholeness RC 58516
by Louise Montello
read by Kimberly Schraf
2 cassettes
Music therapist's guide to reconnecting with one's essential music intelligence (EMI), the innate ability to use sound to facilitate total health and well-being, increase vitality, and cope with pain. Relates case histories and personal accounts to demonstrate meditative exercises utilizing a variety of music from classical to drumming. 2002.

Diné: A History of the Navajos RC 58526
by Peter Iverson
read by Mark Ashby
3 cassettes
A cultural history of the largest North American Indian nation. Describes their Southwest origins bounded by four sacred mountains and their evolving lifestyle through the start of the twenty-first century. Discusses their adaptability as a means of survival, focusing on the past 150 years. Spur Award for nonfiction. 2002.

When Good People Write Bad Sentences: Twelve Steps to Better Writing Habits RC 58539
by Robert W. Harris
read by Mark Ashby
1 cassette
Strategies for overcoming an "addiction to bad writing." Examines the roots of common writing errors that lead to ineffective sentences and baffling communication. Explains how to use correct grammar, syntax, punctuation, diction, and style to produce clear, confident, and persuasive prose. 2003.

Stitch 'n' Bitch: The Knitter's Handbook RC 58586
by Debbie Stoller
read by Barbara Pinolini
2 cassettes
Cofounder of a trendy New York City knitting circle gives a brief history of this needle craft. Presents the basics: how to cast on, bind off, and knit. Explains advanced stitching and repair techniques and provides details for over thirty projects, including Pippi Kneestockings, Sparkle Hat, and Under the Hoodie. Some strong language. 2003.

The Cat from Hué: A Vietnam War Story RC 58589
by John Laurence
read by Steven Carpenter
6 cassettes
News correspondent's comprehensive memoir of the Vietnam War from the 1968 Tet offensive through the 1970 Cambodian incursion, with flashbacks to 1965. Along with wartime portraits and a chronicle of daily life in a war zone, reveals author's personal antiwar sentiment and admiration of American soldiers. Violence and strong language. 2002.

Lost Prophet: The Life and Times of Bayard Rustin RC 58590
by John D'Emilio
read by Mark Ashby
4 cassettes
Chronicles the life (1912–1987) and accomplishments of a pivotal civil rights figure. Covers his influential activism in prison reform, military desegregation, the Montgomery bus boycott, the 1963 March on Washington, and LBJ's Great Society. Also notes Rustin's homosexuality and its impact on his career. Some descriptions of sex. 2003.

The Facts of Life and Other Dirty Jokes RC 58592
by Willie Nelson
read by Robert Sams
1 cassette
Popular singer/songwriter's reflections on what is and what is not important in his life. In his collection of jokes,

memories, and song lyrics (often raunchy and politically incorrect), Nelson ruminates on the stock market, sports endorsements, and his favorite biblical lines. Some strong language. 2002.

The Worst-Case Scenario Survival Handbook: College RC 58593
by Joshua Piven and
David Borgenicht
read by Gregory Gorton
1 cassette
Practical techniques for planning a successful transition to college. Basic rules cover getting settled in the dorm, eating cafeteria food, staying safe at parties, and focusing in the classroom. Includes tips for avoiding laundry and for pulling an all-nighter. For senior high readers. 2004.

The Worst Journey in the World RC 58594
by Apsley Cherry-Garrard
read by David Cutler
5 cassettes
Epic tale of two-and-a-half years of exploration and survival in Antarctica as recounted by the youngest member of Scott's last expedition to the South Pole. Describes the difficult crossing of the Beardmore Glacier, Cherry-Garrard's scientific mission to obtain emperor penguin eggs, and his discovery of Scott's body. 1922.

***Flying Cloud*: The True Story of America's Most Famous Clipper Ship and the Woman Who Guided Her RC 58595**
by David W. Shaw
read by Ted Stoddard
2 cassettes
Account of the clipper ship's 1851 maiden voyage from New York to San Francisco. Describes how the navigator, captain's wife Eleanor Creesy, managed the crew and safely plotted the vessel's course around Cape Horn. Observes that the *Flying Cloud* made the sixteen-thousand-mile trip in a record eighty-nine days and twenty-one hours. 2000.

I Love You Phillip Morris: A True Story of Life, Love, and Prison Breaks RC 58596
by Steve McVicker
read by Robert Sams
1 cassette
Award-winning journalist chronicles the life and crimes of con artist Steven Russell, a former North Carolina police officer. McVicker describes Russell's ruses to evade Texas jails, including faking his own death, and depicts Russell as a hopeless romantic in his love for a fellow inmate. Some strong language. 2003.

A History of Appalachia RC 58597
by Richard B. Drake
read by Ted Stoddard
3 cassettes
A social history of the North American region that ranges from Alabama to Pennsylvania. Drake discusses the characteristics that make the region distinct, the various ethnicities that

have contributed to Appalachian diversity, and the unique cultural patterns that evolved between the precolonial Native American era and the late twentieth century. 2001.

Home and Away: Memoir of a Fan RC 58598

by Scott Simon
read by Eric Synnestvedt
4 cassettes
National Public Radio broadcaster pens his memoirs, using his affection for his hometown teams—the Chicago Cubs, Bears, and Bulls—as a point of entry into reflections on the past. Recalls discussing his passion for sports with Fidel Castro in Cuba, with Albanians in Kosovo, and with Jesse Jackson on the campaign trail. Some strong language. 2000.

I Never Had It Made: An Autobiography of Jackie Robinson RC 58600

by Jackie Robinson
read by Mark Ashby
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Baseball legend's account of his triumphs and tragedies on the road to becoming the first African American to play major league baseball. Descended from slaves and sharecroppers, Robinson recalls struggling to overcome racial barriers before and after his 1947 debut with the Brooklyn Dodgers. Introduction by Hank Aaron. 1995.

A Place in the Woods RC 58601

by Helen Hoover
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Author recounts her adventures living close to nature after she and her husband, Adrian, quit their jobs in Chicago and move to a cabin in Minnesota's northern woods. Helen describes their triumphs and setbacks as they gradually adapt to the rigors of wilderness survival, including isolation and near poverty. 1968.

Bobby the Brain: Wrestling's Bad Boy Tells All RC 58605

by Bobby Heenan
read by Mark Ashby
1 cassette
Heenan, a pro wrestler since the 1960s and an eighth-grade dropout, recalls his days in the ring, recounts anecdotes about other athletes and celebrities, and discusses the business angle of the sport. Foreword by Hulk Hogan. Some strong language. 2002.

Hank Williams, So Lonesome RC 58607

by Bill Koon
read by Todd Scofield
2 cassettes
Biography of country singer Hank Williams (1923–1953) who wrote over one hundred songs including "Hey, Good Lookin'," "Your Cheatin' Heart," and "Lovesick Blues." From interviews with family, friends, and band members, Koon documents Williams's rise from Depression-era Alabama to Nashville stardom and examines the mystery surrounding his death. 2001.

Erasmus Darwin: A Life of Unequalled Achievement RC 58608
by Desmond King-Hele
read by Corrie James
4 cassettes
Portrait of Charles Darwin's grandfather—poet, physician, scientist, and inventor. Observes that Erasmus wrote about evolution long before his grandson's research on the topic. Credits the elder Darwin with the design of a carriage steering mechanism still used in twentieth-century cars and asserts that he was the first to describe the process of photosynthesis. 1999.

Spreadin' Rhythm Around: Black Popular Songwriters, 1880–1930 RC 58609
by David A. Jasen and Gene Jones
read by Robert Sams
4 cassettes
This fifty-year history focuses on various African American composers, lyricists, performers, and publishers, to show their influence on mainstream popular American culture. Discusses minstrel shows, vaudeville, Tin Pan Alley, blues, early jazz, and Broadway. 1998.

The Great Railway Bazaar: By Train through Asia RC 58610
by Paul Theroux
read by Ted Stoddard
3 cassettes (Reissue)
An American novelist's account of a four-month trip in 1973. Traveling through Turkey, Iran, India, Southeast Asia, Japan, and the USSR, he writes of his encounters with a motley collection of hippies, businessmen, whores, and fellow tourists. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1975.

Twenty Ads That Shook the World: The Century's Most Groundbreaking Advertising and How It Changed Us All RC 58611
by James B. Twitchell
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
Traces the evolution of advertising technology. Presents twenty commercials and ad campaigns that the author believes had the most influence on the American marketplace. Explains the consumer needs that these products filled, the means by which the sponsors publicized their products within each community, and the successes that served as milestones in changing the nation's perspective. 2000.

Nature's Children RC 58612
by Juliette de Bairacli-Levy
read by Corrie James
2 cassettes
Revised and expanded edition of classic 1970 childrearing book by an herbalist. Provides recipes and information on raising healthy kids without prescription-drug medication. Includes advice on natural childbirth, parenting, and use of medicinal herbs. 1997.

Indira: The Life of Indira Nehru Gandhi RC 58613
by Katherine Frank
read by Anne Flosnik
5 cassettes
Biography of India's first woman prime minister. Discusses Indira Gandhi's (1917–1984) sad childhood and her reluctance to enter politics even

though her father was former prime minister Jawaharlal Nehru. Portrays the woman who sublimated her personal inclinations to serve her country and was assassinated by her own bodyguards. 2002.

The Siege of Shangri-La: The Quest for Tibet's Sacred Hidden Paradise RC 58618

by Michael McRae
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
National Geographic correspondent discusses the explorations that have taken place in the Tsangpo River Gorge in southeastern Tibet since the 1920s. Describes how this area, made famous by James Hilton's *Lost Horizon (RC 51095)*, has been explored for its topography, natural history, tribal ethnography, and spiritual significance. 2002.

The Soul of a Chef: The Journey toward Perfection RC 58620

by Michael Ruhlman
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Making of a Chef (RC 47657)*, award-winning journalist explores the professional cooking world by attending the Culinary Institute of America's Certified Master Chef ten-day examination and observing the candidates' successes and failures. Also describes three distinctive chefs and their restaurants. Includes appendix of recipes. 2000.

The Education of Little Tree RC 58621

by Forrest Carter
read by Christopher Walker
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Memoir of an orphaned boy who was raised in a log cabin by his Cherokee grandparents in Tennessee during the Great Depression. Some strong language. 1976.

Blood and Fire: William and Catherine Booth and Their Salvation Army RC 58622

by Roy Hattersley
read by Anne Flosnik
4 cassettes
Study of the evangelists who founded the Salvation Army in Victorian England. Revivalist preacher William Booth believed in active Christianity and used the poor to recruit the poor. Catherine, a biblical scholar, endorsed the idea of women's religious equality and helped transform the organization into a worldwide movement. 1999.

Sex, Lies, and Headlocks: The Real Story of Vince McMahon and the World Wrestling Federation RC 58623

by Shaun Assael and
Mike Mooneyham
read by Mark Ashby
2 cassettes
A behind-the-scenes look at World Wrestling Federation owner Vince McMahon who transformed the sport into a lucrative television spectacle in the 1990s. The authors chronicle the controversial promoter's rise to power, detailing internal conflicts, legal and ethical scandals (including drug overdoses), and feuds with rival organiza-

tions vying for TV ratings. Strong language. 2002.

Volcanoes in Human History: The Far-Reaching Effects of Major Eruptions RC 58624

by Jelle Zeilinga de Boer and Donald Theodore Sanders
read by Erik Synnestvedt
2 cassettes
Examines nine historic volcanic disasters. Discusses their geologic settings in relation to plate tectonics and both the immediate and long-range consequences in human terms of volcanic activity. Chronicles eruptions of Vesuvius, Tambora, Krakatau, Mount Pelée, and Mount St. Helens and discusses the formation of Iceland and the Hawaiian Islands. 2002.

Secrets of Saffron: The Vagabond Life of the World's Most Seductive Spice RC 58625

by Pat Willard
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
Food writer Pat Willard traces the provocative history of saffron, from its medical significance in ancient Egypt, through the spice trade of the Middle Ages, to its present uses in cooking. Includes a short guide to buying saffron and a selection of both ancient and modern recipes. 2001.

Young Adult's Guide to Business Communications RC 58626

by Kristi L. Thomason-Carroll
read by Colleen Delany
1 cassette
Outlines the interpersonal skills a new graduate needs for success in the workplace. Covers applying for a job, interviewing, making a good first impression, and using proper written and verbal communication. Includes sample resumés and letters. For senior high and older readers. 2004.

Near a Thousand Tables: A History of Food RC 58627

by Felipe Fernández-Armesto
read by Annie Wauters
3 cassettes
Oxford historian presents a global perspective of food as a theme of world history, "inseparable from all other interactions of human beings with one another . . . and nature." He classifies his topic into eight "revolutions," including cooking, food as more than sustenance, and food as an indicator of rank. 2002.

Squash: A History of the Game RC 58652

by James Zug
read by Fred Major
4 cassettes
Squash player chronicles the British sport's rise in the United States from 1884 to the twenty-first century. Describes the origins and basics of the game, which is played with a racquet and a rubber ball in a four-wall court. Recaps major tournaments and personalities. Foreword by George Plimpton. 2003.

Stonewall: The Riots That Sparked the Gay Revolution RC 58653

by David Carter
read by Alec Volz
3 cassettes
Chronicles six days of violent protests in June 1969, when homosexuals fought police during a routine raid at

the Stonewall Inn, a gay bar in New York City's Greenwich Village. Examines events leading up to the riots, key demonstrators, and the uprising's aftermath that prompted the gay rights movement. 2004.

The Arts RC 58659
by Hendrik Willem Van Loon
read by Janis Gray
6 cassettes (Reissue)
A cultural survey of painting, sculpture, architecture, music, theatre, and many minor arts from prehistory to the twentieth century by the author of *Van Loon's Lives (RC 55071)*. Covers creative expression in ancient Egypt and Greece, the Middle Ages, and the Renaissance. Revised and updated 1974. 1937.

Writing Fiction: The Practical Guide from New York's Acclaimed Creative Writing School RC 58661
by Gotham Writers' Workshop Faculty
read by Carol Dines
3 cassettes
Gotham Writers' Workshop faculty present lessons for creating fiction. Addresses the craft, art, and business of writing. Exercises cover character and plot development, dialogue, pacing, themes, revising, and more. Includes full text of Raymond Carver's "Cathedral." 2003.

The Dream: Martin Luther King Jr. and the Speech That Inspired a Nation RC 58666
by Drew D. Hansen
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
Hansen's essay on the meaning of the 1963 "I Have a Dream" speech describes King as a master of the art of black homiletics, whose gifts had been little known beyond the pulpit and the civil rights movement. Explores the oration's spontaneity, language, and prophetic vision and the public's reaction to it. 2003.

Survive the Savage Sea RC 58667
by Dougal Robertson
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Author relates his family's nightmare of trying to survive after killer whales attacked and sank their forty-three-foot schooner *Lucette* in the Pacific Ocean. Robertson's daily accounts describe their thirty-eight-day struggle against thirst, starvation, and exhaustion before being rescued by Japanese fishermen. 1973.

The Scientists: A History of Science Told through the Lives of Its Greatest Inventors RC 58669
by John Gribbin
read by Butch Hoover
5 cassettes
British astrophysicist, author of *Almost Everyone's Guide to Science (RC 49321)*, traces Western science from the Renaissance to the end of the twentieth century. Gribbin presents history's great discoveries and technological achievements through the lives of the individuals who made them possible, beginning with Copernicus. 2002.

Rothstein: The Life, Times, and Murder of the Criminal Genius Who Fixed the 1919 World Series RC 58673
by David Pietrusza
read by Barry Bernson
3 cassettes
Baseball historian's biography of notorious Jazz Age drug kingpin, bootlegger, casino operator, and labor-union racketeer Arnold Rothstein, the "king of Manhattan gamblers." Examines Rothstein's connections to Tammany politicians and crooked cops, and implicates sports figures involved with Rothstein in the 1919 World Series fix. Reconstructs Rothstein's 1928 murder. 2003.

School of Dreams: Making the Grade at a Top American High School RC 58674
by Edward Humes
read by Jack Fox
3 cassettes
Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist spends a year with the faculty, staff, and students of California's top-ranked public high school, Whitney High in Cerritos. Commenting on his observations, Humes heralds the school's social and academic achievements, but also examines some unintended consequences of such a high-pressure learning environment. 2003.

Prophecy: What the Future Holds for You RC 58676
by Sylvia Browne
read by Sharon Murray
2 cassettes
Psychic and bestselling author of *The Other Side and Back (RC 48861)* discusses prophesies throughout history, including those from Nostradamus (sixteenth century), Edgar Cayce (twentieth century), and Native American and other religious seers. Offers her own predictions for early twenty-first-century ecology, politics, technology, health, medicine, space exploration, and more. 2004.

The Perfect Soldier: Special Operations, Commandos, and the Future of U.S. Warfare RC 58680
by James F. Dunnigan
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
Military analyst surveys the evolution of elite combat units, focusing on the twentieth century. Discusses tactics of the Russian Spetsnaz, British Special Air Service, U.S. Navy SEALS, and other special forces operating during World War II, the Vietnam conflict, and the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq. 2003.

Jefferson's Legacy: A Brief History of the Library of Congress RC 58681
by John Y. Cole
read by Butch Hoover
1 cassette
Veteran librarian and historian provides a history of the nation's foremost cultural institution. Coverage begins in 1800 with the establishment of a legislative library and ends in 1992. Features information on collections, the evolution of the library's buildings, and brief biographies of the Librarians of Congress. 1993.

Simple Knits with a Twist: Unique Projects for Creative Knitters RC 58684
by Erika Knight
read by Patricia McDermott
1 cassette
Twenty contemporary projects incorporate felting, beading, and patchworking to create wall hangings, throws, rugs, napkin rings, wire bowls, and other household items. Ribbon, wire, strips of plastic, or gauze sometimes substitute for yarn. Includes basic how-to instructions. Most patterns are appropriate for experienced knitters. 2004.

The Silent War: The Cold War Battle beneath the Sea RC 58686
by John Piña Craven
read by Alec Volz
2 cassettes
Firsthand recollections of submarine-based espionage and nuclear deterrence from former chief civilian scientist of the U.S. Navy's Special Projects Office. Author recounts clandestine operations including Polaris missile activities and pursuit of the rogue Soviet sub that inspired Tom Clancy's *The Hunt for Red October (RC 21513)*. 2001.

The Question of David: A Disabled Mother's Journey through Adoption, Family, and Life RC 58690
by Denise Sherer Jacobson
read by Carol Dines
2 cassettes
An independent thirty-six-year-old woman, happily married, recounts the couple's decision to adopt a possibly disabled baby boy. Both she and her husband have cerebral palsy and use wheelchairs, but open their hearts to becoming a family. Describes the joys and daily complexities of raising their son. 1999.

Jean Langlais: The Man and His Music RC 58692
by Ann Labounsky
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Authorized biography of blind twentieth-century organist/composer Jean Langlais (1907–1991) by organist/music scholar Labounsky. Discusses Langlais's training at France's National Institute for the Blind, his subsequent organist position at Paris's Sainte-Clotilde, his American tours, and his instrumental, choral, and vocal compositions. 2000.

The Wilderness of Denali: Explorations of a Hunter-Naturalist in Northern Alaska RC 58694
by Charles Sheldon
read by Jack Fox
3 cassettes
Relates hunter's 1906 to 1908 adventures in the territory surrounding Denali, the Native American name for Mt. McKinley. Personal notes and diary entries record observations about sheep, grizzlies, and other native wildlife. This 2000 edition includes a biographical introduction. 1930.

Ripples of Battle: How Wars of the Past Still Determine How We Fight, How We Live, and How We Think RC 58695
by Victor Davis Hanson
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
Classicist reexamines the outcomes of three lesser-known military engagements and how they changed the course of Western warfare, culture, and politics. Considers the long-term impact of the battles of Okinawa in World War II, Shiloh during the Civil War, and Delium, a battle in which the Athenians were defeated in 424 B.C. 2003.

The Presidency of Richard Nixon RC 58696
by Melvin Small
read by Kerry Cundiff
3 cassettes
Review and analysis of the domestic and foreign policies of the thirty-seventh American president. Traces Nixon's political rise and resignation from office. Posits that his main achievement remains his domestic social legislation on such topics as desegregation of southern schools, women's rights, and the environment. 1999.

Never Forget: An Oral History of September 11, 2001 RC 58697
by Mitchell Fink and
Lois Mathias
read by Jill Fox
3 cassettes
Journalist and his wife gather dozens of first-person accounts of World Trade Center workers, Pentagon employees, rescue personnel, witnesses, and others who lived through the events of September 11, 2001. Violence and strong language. 2002.

The Practical Writer: From Inspiration to Publication RC 58698
edited by Therese Eiben and
Mary Gannon
read by Kerry Cundiff
3 cassettes
Poets & Writers magazine editors' compilation of essays to facilitate informed decisions by emerging authors at each career stage. Covers title choice, manuscript revision, grant applications, contracts, interaction with editors, and more. Contributors are novelists, poets, and publishing insiders. 2004.

The Way of a Ship: A Square-Rigger Voyage in the Last Days of Sail RC 58702
by Derek Lundy
read by Jack Fox
3 cassettes
The author of *Godforsaken Sea (RC 50690)* recreates the adventures of his great-great-uncle Benjamin Lundy, a Cape Horn seaman during the 1880s. Derek Lundy portrays the challenges and perils Benjamin and the crew most likely faced while learning firsthand the "eternal lessons of the sea." 2002.

The Final Days RC 58703
by Bob Woodward and
Carl Bernstein
read by Richard Hauenstein
4 cassettes (Reissue)
Traces the last months of Richard Nixon's administration in 1974 including the cover-ups and obstructions of

the president's advisers. Chronicles the events that led to the first presidential resignation in American history. Some strong language. 1976.

How to Hear from God: Learn to Know His Voice and Make Right Decisions RC 58704
by Joyce Meyer
read by Janis Gray
2 cassettes
Bible teacher uses scripture and examples from her own ministry to explain how to develop sensitivity to God's communication through supernatural revelation, the "inner witness," and nature. Contends that rote religious activity, unforgiveness, and legalism can hinder the fulfillment of God's plan and suggests ways to protect against negativity. 2003.

Hollywood Hulk Hogan RC 58708
by Hollywood Hulk Hogan
read by Alec Volz
2 cassettes
The autobiography of Hulk Hogan, professional wrestler and seven-time world-title holder, from his boyhood as Terry Bollea, an overweight kid from Tampa, Florida. Hogan looks at the many phases of his career, his metamorphosis from wrestler to entertainer, steroid use, and the price of fame and success. Strong language. 2002.

Simple Crochet RC 58709
by Erika Knight
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Twenty projects for the home from textile designer and fashion consultant. Includes pillows, throws, rugs, baskets, bags, and slippers. Describes equipment and techniques. Step-by-step instructions require only a few basic stitches. 2003.

Mafia Wife: My Story of Love, Murder, and Madness RC 58730
by Lynda Milito
read by Barbara Pinolini
2 cassettes
Exposé by the Jewish widow of a member of the Gambino crime family. Recalls her childhood in Brooklyn, the twenty-four years she spent with Louie Milito until he disappeared in 1988, murdered by his own colleagues, and her subsequent mental and emotional problems. Strong language and some violence. 2003.

John Winthrop: America's Forgotten Founding Father RC 58731
by Francis J. Bremer
read by Robert Sams
4 cassettes
Portrait of the founder and first governor of the Massachusetts Bay Colony. Examines Winthrop's upbringing and undistinguished career in his native England until he sailed for America in 1630, then details his role in shaping and expanding the new colony. Also discusses Winthrop's puritan character, religious moderation, and responses to foreign and domestic challenges. 2003.

Carole Lombard: The Hoosier Tornado RC 58732
by Wes D. Gehring
read by Peter Gil
2 cassettes
Biography of film star Carole Lombard (1908–1942), known as the queen of "screwball" comedies. Gehring re-

lates Lombard's childhood years in Indiana and California, rise in the movie industry, and marriage to Clark Gable. Also describes her tragic death in a plane crash while returning home after a war-bond rally. Some strong language. 2003.

Reflections from the North Country RC 58735

by Sigurd F. Olson
read by Todd Scofield
1 cassette (Reissue)
Collection of essays by conservation activist and award-winning nature writer Sigurd F. Olson (1899–1982). Olson's recollections of his wilderness adventures in the northern United States and arctic tundra reflect his "understanding of man's long relationship to nature, all living things, and the universe itself." 1976.

Crimes of New York: Stories of Crooks, Killers, and Corruption from the World's Toughest City RC 58736

edited by Clint Willis
read by Todd Scofield
2 cassettes
Fourteen previously published true-crime tales bring to life the Big Apple's illicit past and present. Selections include "The Annals of Manhattan Crime" listing Manhattan's most famous social aberrations, examinations of turn-of-the-century Tammany Hall's political corruption, and an excerpt from Herbert Asbury's *The Gangs of New York (RC 55088)*. 2003.

Good Morning, Mr. Zip Zip Zip: Movies, Memory, and World War II RC 58737

by Richard Schickel
read by Peter Gil
2 cassettes
Time magazine film critic explores the false nostalgia of wartime popular culture. Revisiting his escapist childhood addiction to moviegoing, Schickel contends that the government, films, and other mass media deliberately distorted the realities of war—and promoted a "greatest generation" fantasy —to keep people complacent and maintain a "happy middle-class fiction." 2003.

Nietzsche: A Philosophical Biography RC 58740

by Rüdiger Safranski
read by Faith Potts
4 cassettes
Examines the development of this major nineteenth-century German philosopher's thinking. Focuses primarily on Nietzsche's thoughts as expressed in his published and unpublished writings and secondarily on the facts of his life where they intersect with his work. Attempts to place this complex and influential figure in cultural and historical context. 2000.

The Selected Poems of Federico García Lorca RC 58741

by Federico García Lorca
read by Peter Gil
1 cassette
Representative poems in English and Spanish from works originally published between 1921 and 1936. Includes "Lament for Ignacio Sánchez

Mejías," about a famous Spanish bullfighter and friend of Lorca's who was killed in the bullring at five in the afternoon. Includes a short preface in English. 1955.

In the Presence of My Enemies RC 58747

by Gracia Burnham
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
Account of an American missionary who, with her husband, Martin, was kidnapped from a Philippine resort by Islamic terrorists in 2001. Describes their yearlong ordeal as hostages on the run in the jungle, their struggle to keep their faith, and the rescue during which Martin was killed. Some violence. 2003.

Parting the Desert: The Creation of the Suez Canal RC 58748

by Zachary Karabell
read by Anne Flosnik
3 cassettes
Chronicles the joint venture of French diplomat Ferdinand de Lesseps and Egyptian rulers to construct a waterway connecting the Mediterranean and the Red seas, an engineering marvel that altered the terrain and the political landscapes of three continents. Karabell traces the canal's development throught its 1869 inauguration. 2003.

Long Way Back to the River Kwai: Memories of World War II RC 58749

by Loet Velmans
read by Mark Ashby
1 cassette
Memoir by one of some 250,000 soldiers imprisoned by the Japanese and forced to construct the "Railway of Death" on the Thailand-Burma border during World War II. Velmans details his Jewish family's escape from Holland following Hitler's invasion, their settlement in Jakarta, and his capture and torture after joining the Dutch army. Violence. 2003.

Aeschylus I—Oresteia: *Agamemnon*, *The Libation Bearers*, and *The Eumenides* RC 58751

by Aeschylus
read by Anne Flosnik
1 cassette
Three ancient Greek tragedies written and performed in the fifth century B.C. The trilogy of plays comprising *Oresteia* relates the murder of Agamemnon, the return of his son Orestes to avenge his father's death and regain the throne, and Orestes's flight from Argos. Translation, introduction, and critical commentary by Richmond Lattimore. 1953.

The Naked Olympics: The True Story of the Ancient Games RC 58757

by Tony Perrottet
read by Mark Ashby
2 cassettes
Author of *Route 66 A.D. (RC 56790)* examines the experience of attending the ancient Olympic games as "a spectator, an athlete, or one of the overworked officials." Recreates five hectic days and nights in Olympia, Greece, where the games were a part of the many festivals taking place. 2004.

The World: Travels 1950–2000
RC 58758
by Jan Morris
read by Corrie James
4 cassettes
Collection of essays by noted Welsh journalist and travel writer Jan (formerly James) Morris recording her observations over a fifty-year career of "wandering and writing" in every inhabited continent. Describes witnessing landmark historical events, visiting most of the world's great cities, and sampling many different cultures. 2003.

"Master Harold" . . . and the Boys
RC 58763
by Athol Fugard
read by Fred Major
1 cassette
A one-scene play depicting 1950s South Africa. In a tea room two middle-aged black servants, Sam and Willie, greet the white owner's seventeen-year-old son, Hally, whom Sam has helped raise. Apartheid's racial prejudices become manifest when Hally, angry about his father's shortcomings, lashes out at Sam. Strong language. 1982.

L. Frank Baum: Creator of Oz
RC 58766
by Katharine M. Rogers
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
Biography of celebrated children's author Lyman Frank Baum (1856–1919). Rogers discusses Baum's myriad occupations preceding his career as the successful author of *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz (RC 51047)*. Considers how Baum's interest in theosophy and his support of feminism influenced his life and work. 2002.

Raising America: Experts, Parents, and a Century of Advice about Children RC 58767
by Ann Hulbert
read by Kerry Cundiff
3 cassettes
Traces the emergence of conflicting child-rearing guidance in the twentieth century. Offers biographical sketches of major figures in the field (Erik Erikson, Arnold Gesell, and Benjamin Spock, among others) and examines their theories, techniques, and influences. Also analyzes an unintended consequence of their work, which was to exacerbate the anxieties of parenting. 2003.

Oberammergau: The Troubling Story of the World's Most Famous Passion Play RC 58769
by James Shapiro
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
Explores the small Bavarian community's production of the Passion Play, staged once each decade since 1634. Shapiro maintains that, despite late-twentieth-century efforts to appease critics, the play remains freighted with the inflammatory anti-Semitism that once earned praise from the Nazis. 2000.

Facing Ali: The Opposition Weighs In RC 58773
by Stephen Brunt
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Award-winning sportswriter and commentator presents fifteen stories from those who shared the ring with heavyweight boxing champion Muhammad Ali. Brunt profiles fighters from around the world, including George Foreman, Joe Frazier, and Chuck Wepner—later immortalized as "Rocky"—who tell how they were affected by Ali, his politics, and his legacy. 2002.

The Secret Life of Cowboys RC 58774
by Tom Groneberg
read by Alec Volz
2 cassettes
A young college graduate relates how, with his new wife, he rejects an urban lifestyle to become a cowboy. Describes beginning as a Colorado trail guide then settling on a small Montana ranch. He recounts his growth and discovery in the beautiful but brutal western wilderness. 2003.

The Secret Life of Dust: From the Cosmos to the Kitchen Counter, the Big Consequences of Little Things RC 58777
by Hannah Holmes
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Science writer examines the myriad forms of minuscule particles she calls dust—from space debris to soot to skin flakes—and their effects. Holmes describes dust's vital role in planetary evolution, Earth's climate, and natural history, including dinosaur extinction. She also details health problems associated with exposure to pollution and minute toxins. 2001.

Taking Liberties: Four Decades in the Struggle for Rights RC 58778
by Aryeh Neier
read by Dan Willems
3 cassettes
Neier chronicles his career fighting for civil liberties and his work with the ACLU, Human Rights Watch, and the Soros Foundations. Divided chronologically, the book covers segregation, antiwar protests, abortion, and free speech issues of the 1960s, 1970s, and 1980s, and international rights issues dating to 2003. 2003.

Autumn Glory: Baseball's First World Series RC 58780
by Louis P. Masur
read by Richard Hauenstein
2 cassettes
Recreates the 1903 postseason play-off between teams in the rival American and National leagues—the Boston Americans and the Pittsburgh Pirates—that marked the birth of baseball as a modern sport and pastime. Details each game of the World Series, described by one participant fifty years later as "the wildest . . . ever played." 2003.

Caesar's Hours: My Life in Comedy, with Love and Laughter RC 58781
by Sid Caesar
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
TV comedian relates his rise to entertainment success in the 1950s. Describes the *Caesar's Hour* and *Your*

Show of Shows programs and the so-called Writers' Room that produced these shows, drawing upon the talents of Woody Allen, Carl Reiner, Neil Simon, Imogene Coca, and others. Discusses his addiction problems. 2003.

Anyone You Want Me to Be: A True Story of Sex and Death on the Internet RC 58783
by John Douglas and
Stephen Singular
read by Carol Dines
2 cassettes
Former FBI profiler Douglas traces the case of John Robinson, one of the first known serial killers to find his victims by using the Internet. Explores the Kansas con man's world, his decades-long criminal record, and his ability to lure women into sadomasochistic relationships. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 2003.

Uniforms: Why We Are What We Wear RC 58785
by Paul Fussell
read by Gary Tipton
2 cassettes
A literature professor's lighthearted look at the personal, cultural, and historical meanings of uniforms and what they reveal about class, gender, and the need to belong. Reviews the distinctive clothing of the military (including that of generals Patton and Eisenhower), Boy Scouts, police, and nurses and some garb of other countries. 2002.

Nonrequired Reading: Prose Pieces RC 58793
by Wislawa Szymborska
read by Carol Dines
2 cassettes
Nearly one hundred of the Nobel Prize-winning poet's musings inspired by obscure or ephemeral books unlikely to receive much attention from reviewers. Memoirs of Napoleon's valet evoke her sympathy for the emperor's lack of privacy; a book on Neanderthals leaves her questioning their spiritual lives. A variety of whimsical digressions. 2002.

Mary Queen of Scots: The Fair Devil of Scotland RC 58800
by Jean Plaidy
read by Terry Hayes Sales
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Biography of ill-fated queen of Scotland Mary Stuart (1542–1587), executed on the order of her cousin Queen Elizabeth I of England. Chronicles her childhood in France, her multiple marriages, and the religious and political unrest that plagued her rule. 1975.

Three Weeks with My Brother RC 58824
by Nicholas Sparks and
Micah Sparks
read by Henry Leyva
2 cassettes
A memoir chronicling the around-the-world adventure of author Nicholas Sparks and his brother, Micah, in 2003. Leaving wives and families at home, the brothers journeyed to Machu Picchu, Peru; India; and the Australian outback remarking on milestones in their lives, childhood remem-

brances, and truths about loss and hope. Bestseller. 2004.

He-Motions: Even Strong Men Struggle RC 58869

by T.D. Jakes
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Christian bishop, author of *The Lady, Her Lover, and Her Lord (RC 50543)*, offers men advice to help improve their relationships with themselves, their families, and God by understanding their own emotional and spiritual needs. Jakes cites biblical and modern examples and suggests how women can offer support. 2004.

On the Natural History of Destruction RC 58874

by W.G. Sebald
read by Bill Wallace
1 cassette
Four essays based on lectures by German scholar and award-winning author of *Austerlitz (RC 53308)* explore the lingering effects of WWII Allied bombings on his nation's collective consciousness. "Air War and Literature" criticizes the failure of postwar German writers to adequately address their country's destruction; the other pieces analyze works of three such literary figures. 1999.

In Black and White: The Life of Sammy Davis Jr. RC 58878

by Wil Haygood
read by Jake Williams
5 cassettes
From research and interviews, award-winning journalist relates the life and career of performer Sammy Davis Jr., from his start as a four-year-old singer/dancer with the Will Mastin Trio. Recounts his romances, mob connections, politics, and ever-present conflict of racial identity. Strong language. 2003.

What Would Aristotle Do? Self-Control through the Power of Reason RC 58882

by Elliot D. Cohen
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Philosophical counselor's commonsense approach to overcoming self-destructive thoughts, emotions, and actions by harnessing innate powers of reason and critical thinking. Uses real-life scenarios to demonstrate how Aristotelian logic can be used to combat everyday maladies like guilt, loneliness, grief, anger, social anxiety, and depression. 2003.

Goya RC 58883

by Robert Hughes
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Interpretive biography of Spanish artist Francisco Goya (1746–1828) by *Time* magazine art critic and author of *Culture of Complaint (RC 36854)*. Chronicles Goya's development as a man and artist, offering critical analyses of his work, social milieu, professional influences, and dominant events like the Inquisition. 2003.

American Mafia: A History of Its Rise to Power RC 58884

by Thomas Reppetto
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
Former Chicago detective and coauthor of *NYPD (RC 52137)* surveys or-

ganized crime in the United States, 1880s to 1950s. Contends that social forces empowering Torrio, Capone, Luciano, and many other mobsters included widespread anti-immigrant bias, Prohibition, and corrupt alliances between politicians and law "enforcers" flagrantly on the take. 2004.

Skywriting: A Life out of the Blue RC 58891

by Jane Pauley
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Award-winning television news anchorwoman's autobiography, in which she pens her "personal process of discovery" from an upbringing in the Midwest to success on the *Today* and *Dateline* shows. Discusses her adult-onset bipolar disorder and family life with husband Garry Trudeau and their three children. Bestseller. 2004.

Family First: Your Step-by-Step Plan for Creating a Phenomenal Family RC 58893

by Phil McGraw
read by Jack Fox
3 cassettes
Host of television's "Dr. Phil" and bestselling author of *Self Matters (RC 54036)* offers a guide to "leading your family and parenting with purpose." Explains seven parenting tools needed to instill values, help define and attain success for each child, and counteract outside distractions like peer pressure. Bestseller. 2004.

She's Not There: A Life in Two Genders RC 58996

by Jennifer Finney Boylan
read by Barbara Pinolini
2 cassettes
Candid autobiography of professor and transgender author (as James Finney Boylan) of *The Constellations (RC 43488)*. Boylan reveals her transition from male to female and reactions by family, friends, colleagues, and students to "Jenny" after the sex change. Afterword by novelist Richard Russo. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 2003.

My Personal Best: Life Lessons from an All-American Journey RC 58997

by John Wooden
read by Ted Stoddard
1 cassette
Ninety-three-year-old former UCLA basketball coach recalls his educational life journey and the people who shaped him. Hailed "the greatest coach of the twentieth century," he reflects on his early life, lessons of integrity and dignity, and stewardship of the UCLA dynasty that won ten national championships in twelve years. 2004.

Celia: My Life RC 59003

by Celia Cruz
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
Autobiography by the Afro-Cuban singer, the "Queen of Salsa," who died in 2003. Reminisces about her upbringing and early career in Havana and her road to international success. Recalls her voluntary exile after Castro came to power, her long marriage, and

associations with other musicians. Foreword by Maya Angelou. 2004.

Love, Daddy RC 59015
by Carlton Smith
read by Eric Synnestvedt
2 cassettes
Journalist's account of a sensational case: in December 2001 con man Christian Longo, a "disfellowed" Jehovah's Witness, apparently murdered his wife and three preschoolers, dumped their bodies into waters off the Oregon coast, and vanished. Recounts police searching widely, finding Longo in Mexico, and repatriating him for trial. Some violence. 2003.

He's Just Not That into You: The No-Excuses Truth to Understanding Guys RC 59020
by Greg Behrendt and Liz Tuccillo
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Two writers formerly with the *Sex and the City* television series caution women that their dates' mixed messages are in fact rejections. Uses real situations and question-and-answer format to humorously advise when to quit unsatisfying relationships and how to recognize those that are positive. Some strong language. Bestseller. 2004.

The Blindness Revolution: Jernigan in His Own Words RC 59457
by James H. Omvig
read by Roy Avers
4 cassettes
Blindness activist and attorney examines the transformation of the Iowa Commission for the Blind by Dr. Kenneth Jernigan, a National Federation of the Blind leader. Describes Jernigan's reorganization of the service agency beginning in 1958 from an ineffective medical model to a civil-rights-based "empowerment" organization. 2005.

My Disability—God's Ability: Seven Principles of Triumphant Life RC 59622
by Young Woo Kang
read by Bill Wallace
1 cassette
In the sequel to *A Light in My Heart (RC 26603)*, a Korean-born, blind U.S. government senior executive continues his memoir "to tell the world how faith and vision work together" and how they change lives. Kang discusses the principles that helped him thrive and overcome bitterness. 2004.

Blind Justice: Jacobus tenBroek and the Vision of Equality RC 59656
by Floyd Matson
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Biography of the founder of the National Federation of the Blind, written by friend and collaborator Matson. Tells how tenBroek (1911–1968), blinded at age seven, obtained a law degree and became an advocate not only for blind people but for people with disabilities, poor people, and other minority groups. 2005.

Electric Universe: The Shocking True Story of Electricity RC 59659
by David Bodanis
read by Del Roy
2 cassettes
Describes the discovery of electricity and the ways its development trans-

formed the world. Weaves biographical sketches of pioneers Michael Faraday, Thomas Edison, Alexander Graham Bell, Alan Turing, and others with explanations about their impact on applications such as batteries, telegraph, radio, transistors, and computers. 2005.

Cassettes Fiction

Tourmaline RC 57199
by Joanna Scott
read by Michael Scherer
2 cassettes
Murray Murdoch and his family flee financial ruin in mid-fifties America to Elba, where Murray dreams of striking it rich in semiprecious tourmaline. But, seduced by the island's intrigues, he falls under suspicion in a local girl's disappearance. In 1999, son Oliver returns to probe the events that nearly destroyed his father. 2002.

The Best American Mystery Stories, 2003 RC 57428
edited by Michael Connelly
read by Susan McInerney
3 cassettes
Twenty short mystery stories by authors including Mike Doogan, Walter Mosley, Joyce Carol Oates, and George Pelecanos. In "When the Women Come Out to Dance," a former stripper and wife of a wealthy Pakistani employs a domestic to help resolve marital problems. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2003.

The Breathtaker RC 57636
by Alice Blanchard
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Oklahoma. In the aftermath of a devastating twister, widowed police chief Charlie Grover discovers the bodies of three apparent tornado victims. When autopsies reveal foul play, Charlie—aided by storm-chasing specialist Willa Bellman—races to stop a killer using cyclones to camouflage murder. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2003.

On a Night like This RC 57637
by Ellen Sussman
read by Barbara Goodson
2 cassettes
Chef Blair Clemens, a single mother of a sixteen-year-old, is dying of cancer. When screenwriter Luke Bellingham tracks her down for their twenty-fifth high school reunion, sparks fly. Nevertheless, Luke is still longing after his estranged wife, and Blair must cope with her illness. Strong language. 2004.

A Whistling Woman RC 57683
by A.S. Byatt
read by Laura Giannarelli
4 cassettes
Teeming, panoramic novel of social change in 1960s England, centered on recently divorced Frederica Potter from *Babel Tower (RC 42872)*, now a BBC talk show host. Into her orbit come radical psychoanalysts, disaffected academics, followers of a charismatic religious mystic, and snail researchers. Some explicit descriptions

of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2002.

Don Quixote RC 57711
by Miguel de Cervantes Saavedra
read by Peter Gil
7 cassettes in 2 containers
Spanish classic depicting the adventures of Don Quixote, an aging gentleman addled by chivalrous visions, who appoints himself a knight-errant and sets out with his faithful squire, Sancho Panza, on a quest to right the world's wrongs. Originally published in two parts in 1605 and 1615. New translation by Edith Grossman. Bestseller. 2003.

Mirror Mirror RC 57764
by Gregory Maguire
read by Anne Hancock
2 cassettes
Montefiore, 1502. In this adaptation of "Snow White," Vincent de Nevada is dispatched to find the Tree of Knowledge, leaving his young daughter, Bianca, with evil Lucrezia Borgia. Lucrezia, fiercely jealous of Bianca's beauty, orders her death. Rescued by the seven dwarves, Bianca discovers the truth in an ancient mirror. 2003.

True Valor: Uncommon Heroes, Book 2 RC 57765
by Dee Henderson
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Lieutenant Grace Yates, a self-assured Navy pilot, is in love with Major Bruce Stanton, an Air Force pararescue jumper. Both, with deep religious convictions, have been deployed to the Middle East. When Grace's plane goes down, it becomes Bruce's job to rescue her. Sequel to *True Devotion (RC 57753)*. 2002.

Paranoia RC 57827
by Joseph Finder
read by Fred Major
3 cassettes
When Adam Cassidy, a low-level employee of Wyatt Telecommunications, is caught rerouting funds, he receives two options—face embezzlement charges or become a spy at Trion Systems, Wyatt's largest competitor. Risking exposure, Adam infiltrates Trion but ultimately finds his loyalties tested. Strong language, some explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. 2004.

Freaky Green Eyes RC 57887
by Joyce Carol Oates
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Fourteen-year-old Francesca "Franky" Pierson relates events during the year her mother leaves home for long periods and then disappears. Initially sympathizing with her father, a former football star-turned-broadcaster, Franky eventually discovers the truth about her parents' relationship—and her mom's murder. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. For senior high readers. 2003.

Candle in the Darkness: Refiner's Fire RC 58048
by Lynn Austin
read by Kristin Allison
3 cassettes
1856. After Caroline Fletcher's mother dies, the fifteen-year-old leaves her family's Virginia plantation to live with relatives in Philadelphia. There

she joins the antislavery movement and becomes a determined abolitionist. Caroline returns home just as her father, cousin, and fiancé go off to war. 2002.

The Bride Hunt RC 58142
by Jane Feather
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
The Duncan sisters, professional matchmakers and anonymous editors of a controversial London broadsheet, are sued for libel. Bookish middle sister Prudence proposes a barter to barrister Gideon Malvern: he defends their case, they find him a bride. Sequel to *The Bachelor List (RC 58123)*. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2004.

The Moon's Shadow: Saga of the Skolian Empire, Volume 8 RC 58147
by Catherine Asaro
read by Jill Fox
3 cassettes
Seventeen-year-old Jaibriol exchanges himself for a Eubian Trader—his uncle—and assumes the throne of Skolia's rival empire, Eube. The son of parents from both societies, Jai struggles to conceal his telepathic abilities as he works for peace. Sequel to *Spherical Harmonic (RC 58121)*. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2003.

Paradise RC 58185
by Patrick Dennis
read by Faith Potts
3 cassettes (Reissue)
At an exclusive Acapulco resort, an eclectic group of rich and famous people is stranded when an earthquake separates the hotel site from the Mexican mainland. While the guests await rescue, second-rate television producer Jimmy Malvido arrives to broadcast their plight. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1971.

Slider RC 58305
by Patrick Robinson
read by Robert Sams
3 cassettes
Twenty-year-old pitcher Jack Faber, an impoverished farmer's son hoping to play in the majors, spends the summer at an elite baseball camp. But after he returns to college, a jealous coach destroys Jack's confidence, causing him to doubt his abilities and quit the game. His camp buddies help restore his self-assurance. Strong language. 2002.

Forge of Heaven: The Gene Wars, Book 2 RC 58325
by C.J. Cherryh
read by Michael Russotto
3 cassettes
From orbiting Concord Station, where humans and alien ondat coexist, Procyon Stafford observes immortal Gene War survivor Marak Trin Tain rebuild his planet's biosphere. But the arrival of a ship from Earth upsets the delicate balance of power. Sequel to *Hammerfall (RC 52458)*. Some violence and some strong language. 2004.

The Mrs. Dalloway Reader RC 58332
edited by Francine Prose
read by Kimberly Schraf
3 cassettes
Selection of critical essays exploring the evolution and impact of Virginia Woolf's 1925 classic novel *Mrs.*

Dalloway and the companion piece, "Mrs. Dalloway's Party." Includes the two works, Woolf's journal entries and letters regarding the works' creation, and various writers' commentary. Includes editor's introduction. 2003.

The Sergeant's Lady RC 58340
by Miles Hood Swarthout
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Arizona Territory, late 1800s. General Nelson Miles and Sergeant Ammon Swing of the U.S. cavalry battle Geronimo and his band of fierce Apache warriors. Rancher Jacob Cox and his spunky sister, Martha, who soon finds herself smitten with the sergeant, are caught in the middle. Violence. 2003.

The Dragon King's Palace RC 58342
by Laura Joh Rowland
read by Robert Sams
3 cassettes
Edo, Japan; 1694. Traveling to Mt. Fuji to escape the heat, the shogun's mother's entourage is ambushed, the troops slain, and the women kidnapped. Among them is Reiko, wife of Sano, the emperor's private investigator. While Reiko schemes to protect her honor, Sano resorts to desperate measures. Violence and some descriptions of sex. 2003.

The Spirit Line RC 58343
by Aimée Thurlo and
David Thurlo
read by Colleen Delany
1 cassette
Preparing for her upcoming Navajo womanhood ceremony, fifteen-year-old Crystal Manyfeathers weaves a traditional rug but omits the spirit line—a flaw intentionally woven as a tribute to Spider Woman. When the rug disappears, Crystal and her friend Junior, a healer's apprentice, launch a search. For junior and senior high readers. 2004.

With You in Spirit RC 58346
by Steven Cooper
read by Michael Russotto
2 cassettes
Gay, Native American, and Jewish Graydove Hoffenstein, heir to a parking meter fortune, defends his mother who is jailed for murdering his father. The eccentric family hires blind medium Brenda Cloudholder to intervene at their haunted Vineyard estate. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2003.

A Dark Champion RC 58351
by Kinley MacGregor
read by Corrie James
2 cassettes
At a tournament, warrior lord Stryder of Blackmoor meets Rowena de Vitry, an idealistic lady who detests war and knights. Both have sworn off marriage, but a king's clever scheme and an assassin's deadly vendetta bring them together. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some violence. 2004.

Up in a Heaval: Xanth RC 58393
by Piers Anthony
read by Sharon Murray
2 cassettes
Umlaut Human seeks refuge at Castle Zombie and befriends a water serpent disguised as a dragon. Finding some undelivered letters in the castle's dungeon, Sesame and Umlaut help for-

ward one to Demon Jupiter—who subsequently hurls his red spot towards Earth and Xanth. Now they must stop the huge storm from destroying both worlds. 2002.

The Good House RC 58397
by Tananarive Due
read by Madelyn Buzzard
4 cassettes
African American talent agent Angela Toussaint returns to her late grandmother's house in Washington state where Angela's son committed suicide two years earlier. With her high school sweetheart, Angela investigates the tragedy and battles ancient supernatural forces that possessed her family. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2003.

Plan of Attack RC 58411
by Dale Brown
read by Gary Tipton
3 cassettes
No longer in charge of *Air Battle Force (RC 56547)*, demoted aerial warfare expert Patrick McLanahan cannot prevent a Russian sneak attack from devastating U.S. strategic air forces. McLanahan's only option is to convince his superiors to undertake a daring counterstrike. Some strong language. 2004.

Twelve Times Blessed RC 58414
by Jacquelyn Mitchard
read by Mitzi Friedlander
4 cassettes
Widowed mother True Dickinson celebrates her forty-third birthday at a Cape Cod bar, where she meets Hank Bannister, ten years her junior. That night, during a blizzard, he saves her life. Their relationship moves fast, but not fast enough to elude Hank's needy ex-girlfriend. Descriptions of sex and strong language. 2003.

Mrs. Roberto; or, The Widowy Worries of the Moosepath League: Moosepath League Chronicles RC 58531
by Van Reid
read by Mitzi Friedlander
4 cassettes
Maine, 1897. Tobias Walton continues to woo Miss Phileda McCannon and with aide-de-camp Sundry Moss sets out to visit Sundry's uncle. Instead they become unexpected guests at the eccentric Fern Farm. Meanwhile, fellow Moosepathians, searching for elusive parachutist Mrs. Roberto, run afoul of Fuzz Hadley's gang. 2003.

Captiva RC 58544
by Randy Wayne White
read by Michael Russotto
2 cassettes
South Florida. A fishing dispute turns deadly for vandal Jimmy Darroux, who dies when his homemade bomb explodes. Government agent-turned-marine biologist Doc Ford and his aging hippie friend Tomlinson locate Jimmy's sexy widow and try to stop the escalating violence. Strong language, some descriptions of sex, and some violence. 1996.

The Speed of Dark RC 58560
by Elizabeth Moon
read by Brian Conn
3 cassettes
Born with autism at the dawn of the twenty-first century, Lou Arrendale is an independent adult working at a

pharmaceutical company. When his boss pressures him to receive an experimental treatment that could reverse his condition, Lou worries how he will change and how he will feel being "normal." 2003.

Half a Heart RC 58584
by Rosellen Brown
read by Margaret Strom
4 cassettes
A white Houston doctor's wife locates the daughter she had relinquished years before to her persuasive black professor lover in Mississippi. The recent high school graduate, Ronnee, hides a secret agenda as mother and daughter awkwardly become acquainted and deal with reactions from others. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 2000.

Gospel Choirs: Psalms of Survival in an Alien Land Called Home RC 58603
by Derrick Bell
read by Mark Ashby
2 cassettes
In this collection of essays and parables, a law professor uses fictional characters and gospel music references to express his position on racism, poverty, gender issues, affirmative action, the Republican Party's 1995 Contract with America, and the Bell Curve theory. Companion to *Faces at the Bottom of the Well (RC 36823)*. Some strong language. 1996.

Two o'Clock, Eastern Wartime RC 58614
by John Dunning
read by Annie Wauters
4 cassettes
In 1942, author Jack Dulaney escapes from a chain gang to help his long-lost love, Holly Carnahan, locate her missing father. He writes for a radio station in a New Jersey beach town that is vulnerable to a German attack. The two unearth a network of spies and murder. Some strong language. 2001.

A Heart Speaks RC 58615
by LaVyrle Spencer
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Two novellas. In *Forsaking All Others*, Allison Scott, photographer, is looking for the perfect man for a book cover contract. She finds him in Richard Lang—who becomes more than a model. In *A Promise to Cherish*, Lee Walker, a construction estimator, grabs the wrong suitcase at the airport and ends up meeting Sam Brown of Brown and Brown, whose bid just happens to be lower. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex.

Dead for Life: A Conrad Voort Mystery RC 58616
by Ethan Black
read by Christopher Walker
2 cassettes
Wendall Nye, a former high school teacher turned serial killer, targets people who've harmed him, including Manhattan detective Conrad Voort. Voort, threatened with dismissal by his superiors, races to uncover the identity of Nye—whose motives, moreover, re-

veal political corruption. Violence and strong language. 2003.

North of Havana RC 58617
by Randy Wayne White
read by Michael Russotto
2 cassettes
Havana. South Florida marine biologist Doc Ford, a former U.S. agent, returns to help his hippie friend Tomlinson who was stranded after the Cuban government confiscated his boat. Accompanied by his lesbian buddy Dewey, Doc locates Tomlinson among anti-Castro revolutionaries. Strong language, some descriptions of sex, and some violence. 1997.

Cold Springs RC 58619
by Rick Riordan
read by Annie Wauters
3 cassettes
Nine years after his teenage daughter overdosed on heroin, Chadwick escorts troubled kids to a tough-love Texas boarding school. Now he's hired to help Mallory Zedman, the daughter of his former mistress, who is wanted for questioning in a murder directly linked to his past. Strong language and some violence. 2003.

The Lone Drow: Hunter's Blades Trilogy, Book 2 RC 58628
by R.A. Salvatore
read by Michael Russotto
3 cassettes
After their near-devastating defeat in *The Thousand Orcs (RC 58337)*, dwarves and humans flee the onslaught of King Obould Many-Arrows and his orc army. Dark elf Drizzt Do'Urden, having become separated from his companions, sets out alone across the Spine of the World to avenge the fallen. Violence. 2003.

Robert Ludlum's Jason Bourne in *The Bourne Legacy* RC 58648
by Eric Van Lustbader
read by Bruce Huntey
3 cassettes
Georgetown University professor and ex-covert operative David Webb is framed for the murders of two CIA officials, one his former handler. Hunted by feds and a mysterious assassin, Webb assumes the Bourne identity to stay alive and stop a killer. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller. 2004.

Welcome to the Great Mysterious RC 58660
by Lorna Landvik
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Broadway star Geneva Jordan finally agrees to return to Deep Lake, Minnesota, to baby-sit Rich, her thirteen-year-old nephew, while her twin sister takes a vacation. Once there, Geneva helps Rich, who has Down syndrome, and his best friend, who has cerebral palsy, while she finds love with a mailman. 2000.

Muletrain to Maggody: An Arly Hanks Mystery RC 58670
by Joan Hess
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Maggody police chief Arly Hanks has her hands full with the filming of a Civil War reenactment and the revelation that Confederate gold is hidden nearby. As the townspeople and film crew compete to find the treasure,

some senior citizens mysteriously die and Arly's old flame returns. Some strong language. 2004.

The Year's Best Science Fiction: Twenty-first Annual Collection RC 58677

edited by Gardner Dozois
read by Erin Jones
7 cassettes in 2 containers
Review of the year 2003's science fiction presents twenty-nine tales by masters of the genre. New or established authors include Michael Swanwick, Nancy Kress, Harry Turtledove, and Robert Reed. A brief introduction prefaces each story. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2004.

Death Trap: An Alaska Mystery RC 58678

by Sue Henry
read by Gary Tipton
2 cassettes
Forced by an injury to miss this year's Iditarod race, musher Jessie Arnold works the booth at the Alaska state fair. The festivities are interrupted when a murder occurs, Jessie's beloved lead dog disappears, and Jessie herself goes missing. Old flame Alex Jensen returns to launch a search. Some strong language. 2003.

The Color of Death RC 58679

by Elizabeth Lowell
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Gem cutter Kate Chandler creates seven beautiful sapphire stones from a single rough one. When her half-brother Lee, her jewel courier, disappears, Kate investigates with help from rogue FBI agent Sam Groves, who believes Lee is a thief. Strong language, some descriptions of sex, and some violence. 2004.

Mistress of Dragons: The Dragonvarld Trilogy, Book 1 RC 58682

by Margaret Weis
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
To locate a renegade, the Parliament of Dragons sends Draconas, in human form, to abduct the Mistress of Dragons. The mission goes horribly awry when her true identity is revealed. Some descriptions of sex and some violence. 2003.

A Sundog Moment: A Novel of Hope RC 58689

by Sharon Baldacci
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Elizabeth Whittaker's multiple sclerosis diagnosis changes her life forever. Her perfect marriage strains to the breaking point as she and her family cope with her new physical reality. Elizabeth prays for a sundog, a sun phenomenpn symbolizing hope, to renew her strength and faith. Some descriptions of sex. 2004.

Shadowmancer RC 58691

by G.P. Taylor
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Obadiah Demurral, the power hungry vicar of Thorpe, attempts to become a god by dabbling in magic. Raphah arrives from Africa, recruits young locals Kate and Thomas, and with their help tries to retrieve an artifact that has

been stolen from his temple. For junior and senior high readers. 2003.

The Man in the Gray Flannel Suit RC 58699
by Sloan Wilson
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
1953. Tired of struggling to make ends meet working for a charitable arts foundation, Tom Rath secures a well-paying but morally empty corporate public relations position. But Rath's compromises magnify family problems and aggravate unresolved issues from his wartime past. Some descriptions of sex and some violence. 1955.

The Wedding Game RC 58700
by Jane Feather
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
London. Chastity Duncan and her sisters—anonymous matchmakers—seek a wealthy, well-connected wife for Douglas Farrell, an up-and-coming doctor seemingly indifferent to love. Chastity finds Douglas a suitable candidate, but Douglas would rather have Chastity. Sequel to *The Bride Hunt (RC 58142)*. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2004.

Outcasts of Canyon Creek RC 58705
by Clay Fisher
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
Texan Ben Allison stops the hanging of a young mulatto accused by Montana vigilantes of raping and axing a dance hall girl. Ben, determined that the boy, innocent or not, will receive a fair trial, escapes Canyon Creek with him. Some violence and some strong language. 1972.

The Christmas Blessing RC 58707
by Donna VanLiere
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
In this sequel to *The Christmas Shoes (RC 58657)*, Nathan is in his third year of medical school but questions his ability to be a doctor. He also realizes he still has much to learn about life, faith, and blessings. And he will learn from heart patient Meghan Sullivan. 2003.

Murder at a Vineyard Mansion: A Martha's Vineyard Mystery RC 58710
by Philip R. Craig
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
Chappaquiddick aristocrat Maud Mayhew hires private detective J.W. Jackson from *A Vineyard Killing (RC 57831)* to prove her errant son, Harold, didn't kill night watchman Ollie Mattes. But before J.W. can investigate, Harold himself is murdered. The trail leads J.W. to some of the island's most prominent families. 2004.

Song of the Exile RC 58711
by Kiana Davenport
read by John Polk
4 cassettes
Novel of two Hawaiian families from World War II to the islands' statehood. Sunny joins her lover, jazz musician Keo, in Paris. Separated from each other by war, Sunny endures forced prostitution while Keo searches for her in Shanghai. Explicit descriptions of sex, violence, and some strong language. 1999.

Entranced RC 58725
by Nora Roberts
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
PI Mel Sutherland, searching for a kidnapped child, agrees to meet Sebastian Donovan, gifted with the ability to find missing people. Although Mel feels skeptical of such psychic powers, she learns to believe in Sebastian's gift and his love. Follows *Captivated (RC 57700)*. Some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller. 1992.

The Caprices RC 58726
by Sabina Murray
read by Mark Ashby
2 cassettes
Nine stories about men and women affected by World War II's devastating Pacific campaign. In "Guinea," two American soldiers lost in the jungle—one Irish, one Italian—learn what bonds them together. The title piece portrays the fatal encounter of a young girl and a Japanese soldier. Violence and strong language. 2002.

Between Sisters RC 58727
by Kristin Hannah
read by Mary Beth Wise
3 cassettes
Time and differences have kept divorce lawyer Meghann Dontess, from *Distant Shores (RC 56933)*, and her sister, Claire, from the closeness they shared during a difficult childhood. Reunited for Claire's wedding, they establish new bonds, and Meghann finds herself falling in love as well. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2003.

Everyone Dies: A Kevin Kerney Novel RC 58729
by Michael McGarrity
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
In one disturbing day, Santa Fe police chief Kevin Kerney argues with his pregnant wife, views the body of a murdered defense attorney, and finds his horse maliciously destroyed. Macabre killings continue as Kerney races to find a connection before his family falls to the madman. Violence and some strong language. 2003.

The Last Chance Texaco RC 58742
by Brent Hartinger
read by Mary Beth Wise
1 cassette
Fifteen-year-old orphan Lucy is sent to a group home located in an upscale neighborhood. She deals with her problems, finds a boyfriend, and begins to feel at home. But an arsonist sets cars on fire, and the foster kids are blamed. Strong language. For junior and senior high readers. 2004.

The Bookman's Promise: A Cliff Janeway Novel RC 58743
by John Dunning
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
For a mere $29,500, book collector and ex-cop Cliff Janeway purchases a three-volume Civil War-era book. After an elderly Baltimore woman claims it belonged to a collection stolen from her grandfather, Janeway investigates and discovers that the book holds secrets for which many would kill. Some strong language. 2004.

Unlucky in Law RC 58744
by Perri O'Shaughnessy
read by Mary Kane
3 cassettes
Defense attorney Nina Reilly joins her PI lover, Paul, in California. Paul proposes, and to postpone answering Nina gets absorbed in her latest case: an unlucky criminal charged with grave robbing and murder, in a trial linked to tsarist Russia. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2004.

Queen Bee of Mimosa Branch RC 58754
by Haywood Smith
read by Margaret Strom
3 cassettes
The ever-cynical Lin Breedlove Scott is left penniless after her husband runs off with a stripper. Forced to return to her southern hometown, Lin reconnects with her eccentric family and old friends as she struggles to take charge of her life. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2002.

The Mistress of Alderley RC 58755
by Robert Barnard
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes
Retired actress Caroline Fawley lives contentedly on an estate near Leeds with her children. Her married lover, wealthy Marius Fleetwood, visits every weekend. When Fleetwood is murdered, Detective Sergeant Peace leads an investigation that turns up numerous suspects with good reason to kill, including various offspring, lovers, and ex-spouses. Strong language. 2002.

A Few Short Notes on Tropical Butterflies: Stories RC 58764
by John Murray
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Collection of eight stories focusing on the emotions of professional persons in the fields of science, medicine, and nature trying to cope with problems and understand their lives. Includes "The Hill Station," an award-winning piece in which an American-born microbiologist visits Bombay—her parents' homeland—and breaks away from her well-ordered existence. Some strong language. 2003.

Angry Housewives Eating Bon Bons RC 58768
by Lorna Landvik
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
Five small-town Minnesota neighbors form a book club and lasting friendships. There's Faith, a lonely housewife; Audrey, the resident sex queen; Kari, the oldest; Slip, the activist; and Merit, an abused wife. They share three decades of personal dramas. Strong language, some descriptions of sex, and some violence. 2003.

Conan and the Spider God RC 58779
by L. Sprague de Camp
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
For the boyish thrill of stealing his commander's woman, Conan of Cimmeria, a captain in the Royal Guard, cuts short his promising career. His sudden flight from the capital city leads to further adventures, including a romance and a deadly encounter with

the fierce spider god. Some violence. 1980.

The Green Ray RC 58789
by Jules Verne
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
Young Scotswoman Helena Campbell postpones an arranged marriage until she can see a legendary green ray from the setting sun that supposedly will enable her never to be deceived in affairs of the heart. Accompanying her on the quest are two uncles and two would-be suitors. 1883.

Versailles RC 58801
by Kathryn Davis
read by Megan Burnett
1 cassette
Betrothed at fourteen to Louis XVI, Marie Antoinette leaves Austria for Versailles. History unfolds as she experiences court splendor, a queen's extravagance, and the horrors of the French Revolution. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2002.

A Hole in Texas RC 58829
by Herman Wouk
read by Jonathan Davis
2 cassettes
Physicist Guy Carpenter worked on the underground Super Collider in Texas, searching for the Higgs boson, an elusive subatomic particle, until Congress scrapped the project. When a team of Chinese scientists—including Guy's ex-girlfriend—claim to have discovered the boson, mild-mannered Guy finds himself at the center of the media blitz. 2004.

Snow RC 58863
by Orhan Pamuk
read by Robert Blumenfeld
4 cassettes
Poet Ka returns to Turkey after years of exile in Germany. While trying to rekindle romance with a childhood friend, he investigates the suicide of several religious "head-scarf" girls. Meanwhile a blizzard cuts off the town and a military coup occurs. Some descriptions of sex and some violence. Bestseller. 2002.

Captain's Peril: A Star Trek Novel RC 58868
by William Shatner
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes
Jim Kirk and Jean-Luc Picard vacation on Bajor, diving among the ruins of an ancient sunken city. They arrive at the archaeological site to find the director murdered and the camp without communications or power. When Picard disappears, Kirk draws on lessons from the past to uncover the truth. 2002.

Calder Promise: Calder Saga, Volume 8 RC 58870
by Janet Dailey
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Laura Calder meets two men in Europe who pursue her: Boone Rutledge, son of a Texas billionaire, and Sebastian Dunshill, earl of Crawford. One man is a threat to her family. Sequel to *Shifting Calder Wind (RC 57507)*. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2004.

Mates, Dates, and Mad Mistakes RC 58871
by Cathy Hopkins
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
To revamp her image, Londoner Izzie pierces her belly button without her mum's approval. Matters worsen when her mother reads her personal diary. Her mates Nesta, Lucy, and T.J. worry that biker Josh Harper, Izzie's older crush, might be a bad influence. For junior and senior high readers. 2003.

The Green Berets RC 58872
by Robin Moore
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes (Reissue)
A civilian journalist accompanying the U.S. Army Special Forces on various missions in Vietnam during the early 1960s describes the exploits and spirit of the elite troops known as Green Berets. Based on Moore's own experiences; made into a John Wayne movie. Violence and some strong language. 1965.

The Other Boleyn Girl RC 58873
by Philippa Gregory
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
4 cassettes
Fictional portrayal of Mary Boleyn and her siblings, Anne and George, at Henry VIII's court, where the three were sent to advance the Howard family's fortunes. Mary's account takes her from her own affair with the king and her replacement by Anne to Anne's execution. Some descriptions of sex. 2001.

Dr. No RC 58875
by Ian Fleming
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
Deadly danger awaits James Bond when he goes to the Caribbean to locate two missing agents. His antagonist is a maniacal doctor with an array of fantastic weapons and dreams of unlimited conquest. Some violence and some strong language. 1958.

Dragon Bones: China Crime RC 58879
by Lisa See
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Chinese inspector Liu Hulan investigates an American archaeologist's murder near the Yangzi River Three Gorges Dam project. Hulan's estranged American husband, David Stark, arrives to look into antiquities theft. The two cases become entwined, and more fatalities occur. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2003.

Gettysburg: A Novel of the Civil War RC 58880
by Newt Gingrich and
William R. Forstchen
read by Nick Sullivan
4 cassettes
1863. Alternative version of the pivotal Civil War battle of Gettysburg: Confederate general Robert E. Lee and his Army of Northern Virginia gain the advantage as they prepare to engage the Union Army of the Potomac. Some violence. 2003.

The Playboy RC 58881
by Carly Phillips
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Tired of his marriage-minded mother's hints and exasperated by unwanted advances from local admirers, divorced police officer Rick Chandler asks commitment-shy Kendall Sutton to pose as his lover. She agrees, determined to tame both her personal demons and Rick's playboy ways. Explicit descriptions of sex. 2003.

I, Fatty RC 58886
by Jerry Stahl
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
Fictionalized memoir of "fat kid from Kansas" Roscoe "Fatty" Arbuckle, who escapes a dismal childhood and succeeds as a wise-guy comedian in vaudeville and silent films. With marital, weight, and substance-abuse problems as well as rape and murder accusations, Arbuckle ultimately exchanges fame for notoriety. Some descriptions of sex. Bestseller. 2004.

Murder List RC 58887
by Julie Garwood
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Chicago. To expose shady self-help guru Lawrence Shields, hotel heiress Regan Madison attends a seminar where Shields instructs participants to list the people they want gone. When Regan's nominees start dying, detective Alec Buchanan vows to protect her. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. Bestseller. 2004.

The Sunday Philosophy Club: An Isabel Dalhousie Mystery RC 58888
by Alexander McCall Smith
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Edinburgh. Isabel Dalhousie, editor of the *Review of Applied Ethics*, witnesses a young man's fatal fall in a concert hall and becomes convinced that his death is not suicide. Following her intuition, Isabel investigates, assisted by a frosty banker, an upright housekeeper, and her niece's rejected boyfriend. Bestseller. 2004.

Star RC 58889
by Pamela Anderson
read by Sharon Murray
2 cassettes
Affable small-town Florida tomboy "Star" becomes an overnight sensation when she is "discovered" and graces the cover of a gentlemen's magazine and lands a role on a trashy television show. Throughout her adventures Star remains the same sweet girl. Explicit descriptions of sex and strong language. Bestseller. 2004.

Are You Afraid of the Dark? RC 58890
by Sidney Sheldon
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Four Kingsley International Group think-tank scientists die mysteriously around the globe. Two widows—New Yorker Diane Stevens, who recently testified against the Mafia, and Paris model Kelly Harris—unite to expose KIG's nefarious CEO, Tanner Kingsley. Some explicit descriptions of sex,

some violence, and some strong language. 2004.

White Hot RC 58892
by Sandra Brown
read by Sharon Murray
3 cassettes
Destiny, Louisiana. Sayre Lynch returns home after her brother's questionable suicide. She investigates the death as charges of labor unrest, bribery, and murder envelop other relatives. Darker secrets emerge while she develops a love/hate relationship with a close family associate. Descriptions of sex and strong language. Bestseller. 2004.

Shopaholic and Sister RC 58896
by Sophie Kinsella
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
When Becky returns from her round-the-world honeymoon with two truckloads of souvenirs, she learns that real married life means making adjustments, including a budget. Meanwhile she meets her half-sister, Jessica, who is a frugal environmentalist and hates shopping! Some strong language. Bestseller. 2004.

The Fire-Eaters RC 58897
by David Almond
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
England, 1962. During the Cuban Missile Crisis, adolescent Bobby Burns worries about his father's illness. He is friends with eccentric fire-eater Mr. McNulty, wonder-working Ailsa Spink, and classmate Daniel Gower. Bobby believes in miracles, finding hope amidst disillusionment. For junior and senior high readers. Whitbread Award. 2003.

Conan: The Road of Kings RC 58898
by Karl Edward Wagner
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Facing the gallows for killing a captain of the guard, Conan takes advantage of a fellow prisoner's rescue attempt to escape execution. When Conan learns his saviors are rebel soldiers of the White Rose army, he joins their blood-soaked insurrection against a tyrannical despot. Violence. 1979.

The Princess Present: A Princess Diaries Book RC 58912
by Meg Cabot
read by Erin Jones
1 cassette
Mia is spending the holidays in Genovia with her father and grandmère but insists that her boyfriend, Michael, and his sister, Lilly, come to visit. When royal duties take precedence, Mia has a hard time keeping Michael to herself. For junior and senior high readers. 2004.

Kiss Me while I Sleep RC 58926
by Linda Howard
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Liliane Mansfield has worked as a hired CIA assassin for nineteen years. When several personal friends are killed, Lily decides to take matters into her own hands. Agent Lucas Swain, sent to stop her, finds himself drawn into Lily's game. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2004.

Charmed and _Enchanted_: The Donovan Legacy, Book 3 RC 58931
by Nora Roberts
read by Michele Schaeffer
3 cassettes
Continues the story of the Donovan cousins from *Entranced (RC 58725)*. In *Charmed,* witch Anastasia keeps her abilities hidden until fate steps in. In *Enchanted,* love waits while Liam learns to trust his new neighbor with the truth about his family's legacy. Some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller. 2004.

Northern Lights RC 58932
by Nora Roberts
read by Michele Schaeffer
3 cassettes
Lunacy, Alaska. New sheriff Nate Burke finds the job challenging. While the former cop recovers from his Baltimore partner's violent death, he investigates an unsolved crime that threatens his current life and love, fiery bush pilot Meg Galloway. Explicit descriptions of sex and strong language. 2004.

Nights of Rain and Stars RC 58933
by Maeve Binchy
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes
Four strangers—American, English, Irish, and German—on holiday in a Greek village come together after they witness a tragic boating accident. Each of them is trying to escape from a troublesome situation back home. As they become friends and lovers, two locals help them to attain perspective and self-knowledge. Bestseller. 2004.

Tijuana Straits RC 58937
by Kem Nunn
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
U.S.-Mexico border. Ex-con surfer-turned-worm farmer Sam Fahey takes in Magdalena Rivera, a young environmental activist from Tijuana, after she barely escapes a murder attempt. While Magdalena recuperates under Sam's protection, she tries to identify the would-be killers before they finish the job. Violence and strong language. Bestseller. 2004.

See How She Dies RC 58939
by Lisa Jackson
read by Mary Beth Wise
3 cassettes
Oregon, 1993. Adria Nash, possibly kidnapped years ago, investigates her birthright as wealthy London Danvers in Portland. Caught between feuding families and stalked by her mother's killer, Adria has only one ally—the Danvers black sheep Zachary. Strong language, some explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. Bestseller. 1994.

The Shadow of the Wind RC 58940
by Carlos Ruiz Zafón
read by Mark Ashby
3 cassettes
Barcelona, 1945. Young Daniel Sempere selects Julián Carax's *The Shadow of the Wind* when his father takes him to the Cemetery of Forgotten Books. Daniel loves the novel, investigates the author's life and death, and meets a cast of characters hiding deadly secrets. Some descriptions of sex. Bestseller. 2001.

The Footprints of God RC 58942
by Greg Iles
read by Mark Ashby
3 cassettes
Dr. David Tennant is working on a government program: building a computer that can think. The scientists begin suffering neurological symptoms, and when a murder occurs, David and his psychiatrist, Rachel Weiss, flee. Rachel tries to decipher David's religious visions as the computer takes over. Violence and strong language. 2003.

Death Row: A Ben Kincaid Novel RC 58943
by William Bernhardt
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
Fifteen-year-old Erin Faulkner's testimony as sole survivor of her family's slaughter sent Ray Goldman to Oklahoma's death row. Seven years later, with Goldman's life at stake, Erin admits to defense attorney Ben Kincaid that she lied. Her apparent suicide forces Ben to investigate. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 2003.

Fox Evil RC 58947
by Minette Walters
read by Vanessa Maroney
3 cassettes
A Dorset, England, coroner cites natural causes in the death of elderly Ailsa Lockyer-Fox, an advocate against animal cruelty. Her husband James's secretive behavior, however, arouses suspicion as he begins a desperate search for the granddaughter who could save his name—and his life. Strong language and some violence. 2002.

Scratch: An Eddie Caminetti Novel RC 58950
by Troon McAllister
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
Golf hustler Eddie Caminetti teams up with a physicist to help out his friend and former caddie. Their revolutionary golf ball storms the market, incites a counterfeiting scandal, and brings charges of foul play from rival Tommy Trevillian. When Eddie offers to settle the case on the green, Tommy accepts. Strong language. 2003.

The Rocky Road to Romance RC 58987
by Janet Evanovich
read by Colleen Delany
1 cassette
Daisy Adams is an enterprising Washington, D.C., graduate student whose cookbook for dogs earned her a five-minute show on the local radio station. When the station's traffic reporter is injured, Daisy—not thinking about possible consequences—jumps at the chance to take over the higher paying job. Descriptions of sex. Bestseller. 1991.

Havana: An Earl Swagger Novel RC 58988
by Stephen Hunter
read by Robert Sams
3 cassettes
1953. Arkansas state cop and ex-marine Earl Swagger of *Pale Horse Coming (RC 54363)* accompanies a congressional party to Cuba where he is recruited to assassinate young revolu-

tionary Fidel Castro. The assignment pits him against a Russian who is protecting Castro. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 2003.

War Path RC 58990
by Kerry Newcomb
read by Michael Russotto
2 cassettes
1750s. As the French and Indian War rages on, the Colonial militia is aided by the raw fighting force that is captain Johnny Stark. Stark's legendary abilities make him and his lady warrior Molly prime targets of enemy forces. Based on the life of this American frontier hero. Violence. 2003.

Drift RC 58993
by Manuel Luis Martinez
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
San Antonio, Texas. After being expelled from school, sixteen-year-old Mexican American Robert Lomos lives with his grandmother and works dead-end jobs. But when he inherits college money, Robert changes his priorities and turns his life around. Descriptions of sex and strong language. For senior high readers. 2003.

The Rake: Lessons in Love RC 59007
by Suzanne Enoch
read by Corrie James
2 cassettes
Six years ago notorious Viscount Dare spoiled both Lady Georgiana Halley's innocence and her future hopes, all for a wager. Now she's determined to teach him a lesson, with a simple plan: seduce Dare, win his affections, and break his heart. But then he proposes. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2002.

Always a Thief RC 59009
by Kay Hooper
read by Colleen Delany
2 cassettes
Morgan West's upcoming museum exhibit is bait for a dangerous thief known as Nightshade. Cat burglar Quinn, supposedly helping authorities, takes the opportunity to get closer to Morgan, who can no longer deny an attraction. Sequel to *Once a Thief (RC 55330)*. Strong language, some explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. 2003.

Never Look Back RC 59011
by Linda Lael Miller
read by Barbara Pinolini
2 cassettes
After *Don't Look Now (RC 57120)*, lawyer Clare Westbrook establishes an office in a tough Phoenix neighborhood where she is nearly killed on opening day. But is she or her policeman boyfriend the target? Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2004.

The Inner Circle RC 59019
by T. Coraghessan Boyle
read by Erik Sandvold
3 cassettes
Taking Dr. Kinsey's marriage course in college is a daring, revelatory experience for John Milk in 1939 and leads him to become a research assistant in Kinsey's human sexuality project. Over two decades, John's devotion to the doctor's investigations threatens his marriage. Explicit descriptions of

sex and strong language. Bestseller. 2004.

Harbor RC 59022
by Lorraine Adams
read by Ken Kliban
2 cassettes
Twenty-four-year-old Aziz, a survivor of Algerian civil war atrocities, stows away to Boston. He falls in with other undocumented Muslim immigrants engaging in petty criminal behavior. Their actions come to the attention of the FBI, who suspects they may be terrorists. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 2004.

Oblivion's Altar: A Novel of Courage RC 59023
by David Marion Wilkinson
read by Robert Blumenfeld
3 cassettes
The story of Kah-nung-da-tla-geh, or "Ridge Walker," a great Cherokee warrior and chief. In the six decades following the Revolutionary War, Ridge's attempts at peace with the U.S. government through assimilation and negotiation ultimately fail, forcing him to decide the fate of his beleaguered people. Some violence. Spur Award. 2002.

Mutant Message from Forever RC 59028
by Marlo Morgan
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Australia, 1930s. Aboriginal twins are taken from their mother at birth and raised separately outside their culture. Beatrice becomes a church ward, Geoff is adopted by Americans. Years pass before Beatrice reconnects with her brother, who is then in a California jail. Companion to *Mutant Message Down Under (RC 39560)*. Some violence. 1998.

Shadow of Death: A Brady Coyne Mystery RC 59033
by William G. Tapply
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes
Suspicious of senate-candidate Ellen Stoddard's evasive husband, her campaign manager asks Boston attorney Brady Coyne, a friend of Ellen's, to hire a private investigator. When the detective is murdered and Ellen's husband disappears, Brady claims attorney-client privilege and investigates on his own. Some violence and some strong language. 2003.

The Babes in the Wood: A Chief Inspector Wexford Mystery RC 59036
by Ruth Rendell
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
As an epic flood descends upon Sussex, chief inspector Wexford investigates the case of the two missing Dade children, fifteen-year-old Giles and thirteen-year-old Sophie, and their weekend sitter, Joanna Troy. The trail leads to shady suspects and a strange motive while Wexford copes with his own daughter's problems. Some violence. 2002.

Scimitar SL-2 RC 59039
by Patrick Robinson
read by John Horton
3 cassettes
British SAS officer-turned-Hamas leader Ravi Rashood plots to annihilate the U.S. East Coast by firing a nu-

clear-tipped guided cruise missile into a Canary Island volcano and causing a tidal wave. Former national security advisor Admiral Arnold Morgan launches the hunt for the terrorists' submarine. Strong language and some violence. 2004.

Widow's Watch: The Gunsmith RC 59045
by J.R. Roberts
read by L.J. Ganser
1 cassette
Gunslinger Clint Adams hops a train to Byrne, Kansas, where the pretty widow of a murdered friend begs for his help. Jennifer's husband crossed the wrong guy—crooked railroad man Owen Prowler—and paid the price. Now Prowler is after Jennifer. Explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2003.

Cyrus the Great RC 59047
by Harold Lamb
read by Gordon Gould
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Sixth century, B.C. Fictionalized biography of Cyrus the Great, the king of Persia and founder of the Achaemenian dynasty and empire. Describes how Cyrus overthrew numerous kingdoms and freed Jews from captivity in Babylon, allowing them to return to Palestine. 1960.

The House Sitter: A Peter Diamond Mystery RC 59049
by Peter Lovesey
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
When psychological profiler Emma Tysoe's strangled body is found on a Sussex beach, detective superintendent Peter Diamond assists local forces. Diamond soon discovers a link to a serial killer known as the "Ancient Mariner," who kept a list of well-known intended victims. Some strong language. 2003.

This Calder Range: The Calder Saga, Volume 1 RC 59051
by Janet Dailey
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes (Reissue)
1878. Determined young rancher Chase Calder and his beautiful but practical bride, Lorna, ride to the unspoiled Montana territory. As they dream of freedom and riches, old grudges and debts follow them to the new land. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1982.

Beach Girls RC 59071
by Luanne Rice
read by Colleen Delany
2 cassettes
Hubbard's Point, Connecticut. Nine-year-old Nell seeks links to her deceased mother, Emma. Jack, Nell's father, shelters her from his sister Maddie, who knows a painful secret about Emma's untimely death. Emma's reclusive childhood friend, Stevie, feels drawn to Nell and to Jack. Some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller. 2004.

The Irish Bride RC 59078
by Alexis Harrington
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes
Ireland, 1855. An accident forces Farrell Kirwan to marry her betrothed's brother, Aidan O'Rourke, and flee to New Orleans. As the unlikely couple copes with their union,

they are trailed by someone from their past who is determined to bring Aidan to justice and make Farrell his own. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2003.

Eye in the Sky RC 59096
by Philip K. Dick
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
Sightseeing at California's Belmont Bevatron, unemployed missile technician Jack Hamilton, wife Marsha, and six others become victims of a lab accident. They awaken in a world of Old Testament morality gone awry—a perilous, hilarious realm of plagues and damnation. Together they must find a way home. Some violence. 1957.

Face Relations: Eleven Stories about Seeing beyond Color RC 59119
edited by Marilyn Singer
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Anthology explores issues of racial identity and communication among teenagers. In "Snow" by Sherri Winston, African Americans belittle Haitians at school. In "Hum" by Naomi Shihab Nye, a blind neighbor in Texas befriends a shunned Palestinian boy. Some strong language. For senior high readers. 2004.

The Night Class RC 59125
by Tom Piccirilli
read by Ray Childs
2 cassettes
College senior Caleb Prentiss, plagued by stigmata since his sister's suicide, obsesses over the murder of Sylvia Campbell, who was killed in his dorm room over winter vacation. He suspects a faculty cover-up and learns the terrifying truth during an evening of madness. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2002.

***The Ruthless Range* and *Death Rides a Black Horse* RC 59126**
by Lewis B. Patten
read by Ray Childs
2 cassettes
Two novels by a Spur Award-winning western writer. In *The Ruthless Range*, reluctant gunfighter Jason Mellor helps defend a lovely widow's ranch. In *Death Rides a Black Horse*, fifteen-year-old Frank Halliday stands to inherit his late father's spread when he comes of age—if he lives that long. Some violence. 1963.

No Place like Home RC 59519
by Mary Higgins Clark
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
Celia Nolan is horrified when her new husband surprises her with a gift. He has bought the New Jersey house where, at age ten, Celia accidentally killed her mother while trying to protect her from an estranged husband. Now a killer is threatening Celia's new family. Bestseller. 2005.

A Thread of Grace RC 59663
by Mary Doria Russell
read by Cassandra Campbell
4 cassettes
As Italy makes peace with the Allies, fourteen-year-old Belgian Claudette, her father Albert Blum, and other Jewish families prepare to march across the Alps to seek sanctuary in northern Italy. But Germany now occupies that

country, and perils abound. Some strong language. 2005.

Shades of Red RC 59664
by Doris Mortman
read by Kimberly Farr
3 cassettes
Sixty-year-old Vera Hart's public life is under siege: someone is using tainted copies of her beauty products to kill women and sabotage her cosmetics empire. Vera's private life is also disintegrating because of the sibling rivalry between her daughters. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2005.

Books for Children

These books were recently sent to cooperating libraries. Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, contact your cooperating library.

Cassettes Nonfiction

On the Court with . . . Shaquille O'Neal RC 57864
by Glenn Stout
read by Richard Magesis
1 cassette
Describes the life and career of the basketball superstar and center for the Los Angeles Lakers up until the 2002 season. Tells how O'Neal became a professional player winning many awards and championships, including a gold medal with the U.S. team at the 1996 Olympics. For grades 4-7. 2003.

Pío Peep! Traditional Spanish Nursery Rhymes/Pío peep! Rimas Tradicionales Español RC 58006
selected by Alma Flor Ada and F. Isabel Campoy
read by Peter Gil
1 cassette
A collection of more than two dozen popular nursery rhymes in Spanish from Spain and Latin America, along with English adaptations of each verse. Includes an introduction in English. For preschool-grade 2 and older readers. (Una colección de poemas y canciones infantiles más populares de España y América Latina. Se presentan los poemas originales en español seguidos de adaptaciones en inglés. Incluye una introducción en inglés. Para niños preescolares hasta el grado 2 y lectores mayores.) 2003.

The Kingfisher Geography Encyclopedia RC 58392
by Clive Gifford
read by Kerry Cundiff
4 cassettes
Comprehensive overview of the world's nations. Describes each coun-

try's physical geography, climate, people, politics and government, language, religion, currency, recent history, and unique characteristics. Also includes information about Earth's formation, its weather systems, and human impact on the planet. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 2003.

The Voice That Challenged a Nation: Marian Anderson and the Struggle for Equal Rights RC 58728
by Russell Freedman
read by Mark Ashby
1 cassette
Recounts the life of African American singer Marian Anderson and her "once-in-a-hundred-years" voice. Describes her Philadelphia childhood, intense training, successful career in Europe, triumphant return to America, and setbacks caused by racial discrimination. Highlights Anderson's successful 1939 Lincoln Memorial performance for 75,000 fans. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2004.

The Lost Colony of Roanoke RC 58759
by Jean Fritz
read by Eric Synnestvedt
1 cassette
Chronicles the founding of an English settlement on Roanoke Island in 1585 and the birth of its first child, Virginia Dare. Describes the early settlers' hardships, including starvation and hostile natives, and relates the colony's mysterious disappearance over the next three years. For grades 4-7. 2004.

Lincoln: A Photobiography RC 58762
by Russell Freedman
read by Todd Scofield
1 cassette
Biography of sixteenth U.S. president. Describes his rise from humble beginnings in rural Kentucky, Indiana, and Illinois to become a self-educated lawyer, state representative, and president in 1860. Highlights Lincoln's Civil War leadership before his 1865 assassination. For grades 4-7 and older readers. Newbery Medal. 1987.

All about Braille: Reading by Touch; Transportation and Communication RC 58906
by Laura S. Jeffrey
read by Patricia McDermott
1 cassette
Discusses Helen Keller, Louis Braille, and other noted blind persons, including mountain climber Erik Weihenmayer and musicians Ray Charles and Stevie Wonder. Provides information on learning braille, using computers with braille displays, and walking with a cane or guide dog. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 2004.

The Tarantula Scientist: Scientists in the Field RC 59029
by Sy Montgomery
read by Lewis Grenville
1 cassette
Describes Earth's biggest, hairiest spiders—their body parts, digestion, silk production, and habitat. Follows arachnologist Sam Marshall as he finds tarantulas in a South American rain forest and works in his Ohio laboratory. Details Marshall's research on

eight-legged creatures. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 2004.

Walking the Choctaw Road RC 59053
by Tim Tingle
read by Jonathan Davis
1 cassette
Twelve traditional stories reflecting the history and beliefs of the Choctaw nation spanning almost two centuries of tribal life. "Saltypie" is Tingle's own story of his family's close bond with his blind grandmother. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2003.

Yucky Riddles RC 59075
by Marilyn Helmer
read by Mark Ashby
1 cassette
More than two dozen humorous riddles on some of kids' favorite icky subjects. For grades K-3. 2003.

A Drop of Blood RC 59084
by Paul Showers
read by Mark Ashby
1 cassette (Reissue)
A vampire explains what blood is made of and why it is important to health and life. Also describes the functions of red cells, white cells, platelets, and fibrin threads. For grades K-3. 1989.

The Man Who Went to the Far Side of the Moon: The Story of Apollo 11 Astronaut Michael Collins RC 59121
by Bea Uusma Schyffert
read by Dan Bloom
1 cassette
1969. Chronicles what Apollo 11 astronaut Michael Collins did, saw, and thought during America's first lunar-landing mission. Relates how teammates Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin landed the lunar module and took mankind's first steps on the moon, while Collins piloted *Columbia* solo fourteen times around the moon. For grades 4-7. 2003.

Cassettes Fiction

The Dream Bearer RC 56915
by Walter Dean Myers
read by Chuck Young
1 cassette
Twelve-year-old David seeks refuge in his Harlem neighborhood park from his mentally unstable father and unruly teenage brother. David and his best friend, Loren, meet elderly eccentric, Moses Littlejohn, who becomes their mentor with stories about his visions. For grades 5-8. 2003.

The Slippery Slope: A Series of Unfortunate Events, Book 10 RC 56930
by Lemony Snicket
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
Following *The Carnivorous Carnival (RC 55536),* Klaus and Violet Baudelaire search for their sister, Sunny, in the perilous Mortmain Mountains, where she has been kidnapped by Count Olaf. For grades 4-7. 2003.

Eleanor: Crown Jewel of Aquitaine RC 57181
by Kristiana Gregory
read by Mary Beth Wise
1 cassette
The diary of Eleanor, first daughter of the duke of Aquitaine, beginning in 1136 and ending in 1137, when at age

fifteen she becomes queen of France. For grades 5-8. 2002.

Shoeless Joe and Me: A Baseball Card Adventure RC 57427
by Dan Gutman
read by Michael Kramer
1 cassette
Thirteen-year-old Joe Stoshack travels back in time to 1919 where he meets "Shoeless" Joe Jackson of the Chicago Black Sox and tries to prevent the fixing of the World Series. For grades 4-7. 2002.

The Jamie and Angus Stories RC 57869
by Anne Fine
read by Mimi Bederman
1 cassette
Six adventures of Jamie and his stuffed bull, Angus, including a disastrous spin in the washing machine, a wedding celebration, a hospital stay, and a perfect day. For grades 2-4. 2002.

Danger at the Wild West Show RC 57873
by Alison Hart
read by Cyn Delafield
1 cassette
Kentucky, 1886. Twelve-year-old Rose sets out to prove her older brother Zane's innocence when he is accused of shooting a politician during a wild west show in Louisville. For grades 4-7. 2003.

Into the Labyrinth RC 58153
by Roderick Townley
read by Celeste Lawson
1 cassette
Princess Sylvie and other fairy-tale characters from *The Great Good Thing (RC 53785)*—the only book known in their world—confront the perils of being uploaded onto the World Wide Web, where they are forced to act out their story in cyberspace. For grades 5-8. 2002.

The Slave Dancer RC 58319
by Paula Fox
read by Mark Ashby
1 cassette (Reissue)
1840. Kidnapped from his home in New Orleans, thirteen-year-old Jessie Bollier is forced to serve on a slave ship. Every day he must play his fife while the shackled slaves "dance" for exercise. For grades 5-8 and older readers. Newbery Medal. 1973.

Finding Zola RC 58341
by Marianne Mitchell
read by Margaret Strom
1 cassette
Thirteen-year-old Crystal, paralyzed from a car accident, searches for Zola, the elderly woman who is supposed to help her while her mother is out of town. With the help of her older cousin, she uncovers a dangerous plot. For grades 5-8. 2003.

Me Oh Maya! The Time Warp Trio RC 58724
by Jon Scieszka
read by Ray Hagen
1 cassette
Fred, Sam, and Joe take another unexpected trip into the past and end up in Mexico in the year 1000. They must compete for their lives in a ball game against a cheating Mayan high priest. For grades 3-6. 2003.

Regular Guy RC 58790
by Sarah Weeks
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
Because he is so different from his eccentric parents, twelve-year-old Guy is convinced he was switched at birth with a classmate whose parents seem more normal. The boys switch back one weekend, with hilarious results. For grades 4-7. 1999.

The Alphabet War: A Story about Dyslexia RC 58858
by Diane Burton Robb
read by Erik Synnestvedt
1 cassette
Adam likes school but cannot learn to read. In third grade he is diagnosed with dyslexia. With hard work and his teacher's expert help, Adam gains self-confidence and masters the task of deciphering words. For grades 2-4. 2004.

Bernie Magruder and the Haunted Hotel: A Bessledorf Hotel Mystery RC 58907
by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
After the Magruders make some repairs to the Bessledorf Hotel and put a cement floor in the basement, they suddenly begin receiving visits from a ghost who resembles an eleven-year-old boy. Once again Bernie and his friends Georgene and Weasel investigate. For grades 4-7. 1990.

Second Grade Rules, Amber Brown RC 58910
by Paula Danziger
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
Amber Brown loves the second grade but wonders if she will ever receive an award for keeping her desk clean. In desperation she begins throwing everything away. Beginning reader. For grades K-3. 2004.

Bernie Magruder and the Case of the Big Stink: A Bessledorf Hotel Mystery RC 58918
by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Someone is releasing a very toxic smell in Middleburg, and many residents are becoming sick. Bernie Magruder and his friends Georgene and Weasel investigate who is behind the mask of the Mad Gasser. For grades 4-7. 1983.

Amber Brown Is Feeling Blue RC 58920
by Paula Danziger
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
Nine-year-old Amber Brown experiences new problems since her parents' divorce. Because Kelly Green arrives, Amber is regretfully no longer the only person in class with a "colorful" name. And Amber must decide which parent to spend Thanksgiving with because her father is returning from Paris. For grades 2-4. 1998.

Perfectly Chelsea RC 58989
by Claudia Mills
read by Colleen Delany
1 cassette
Nine-year-old Chelsea Garing, an acolyte at church, is a perfectionist. But then she has a fight with her best friend, makes a mistake in the handbell concert, and feels humiliated when her candlelighter goes out. Chelsea slowly learns that people, including herself, are not perfect. For grades 3-6. 2004.

Messenger RC 59006
by Lois Lowry
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
Teenage Matty lives with the blind Seer in Village, the utopia from *Giver (RC 37689)* and *Gathering Blue (RC 51297)*. When the changing community wants to close itself to outsiders, Matty journeys through hostile forests to save Village's founding principles. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 2004.

The Worry Web Site RC 59064
by Jacqueline Wilson
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
British junior high teacher Mr. Speed creates a web site on which his students can anonymously type their worries and get feedback from their classmates. This helps them sort out everything from stepmothers and abusive fathers to physical problems impeding participation in school events. For grades 4-7. 2002.

Give My Regrets to Broadway: From the Tattered Casebook of Chet Gecko, Private Eye RC 59073
by Bruce Hale
read by Robert Sams
1 cassette
Gecko detective Chet and his partner Natalie Attired investigate the disappearance of Scott, the lead actor in the school play. Unless they find Scott, Chet will have to perform as stand-in and kiss a girl on stage. For grades 3-6. 2004.

I Was a Sixth Grade Alien RC 59079
by Bruce Coville
read by Robert Sams
1 cassette
Tim Tompkins is the oddball in his sixth-grade class until Pleskit—a purple, bald alien—enrolls. Tim, a science fiction fan, befriends Pleskit, and the two investigate who's behind a plan to destroy the aliens' peaceful mission on Earth. For grades 3-6. 1999.

Eager RC 59122
by Helen Fox
read by Dan Bloom
2 cassettes
The Bells, including kids Fleur, Gavin, and Charlotte, obtain a new experimental family robot named Eager after older model Grumps begins malfunctioning. Eager works but can also learn, reason—and lie. When the younger generation of robots begins revolting, Eager tries to stop them. For grades 5-8. 2004.

Hurray for Three Kings' Day!
RC 59244
by Lori Marie Carlson
read by Jacinda Bronaugh
1 cassette
Anita and her older brothers Tito and Tomás enjoy the traditional celebration of el Día de los Reyes, or Epiphany. They reenact the long walk of the three wise men who bring gifts to the baby Jesus. For grades K-3. 1999.

Foreign Language Books

The following cassette titles are available in the languages designated.

Spanish

Pío Peep! Rimas Tradicionales Español (Pío Peep! Traditional Spanish Nursery Rhymes) RC 58006
recopilado por Alma Flor Ada y F. Isabel Campoy
leído por Peter Gil
1 cassette
Una colección de poemas y canciones infantiles más populares de España y América Latina. Se presentan los poemas originales en español seguidos de adaptaciones en inglés. Incluye una introducción en inglés. Para niños preescolares hasta el grado 2 y lectores mayores. (A collection of more than two dozen popular nursery rhymes in Spanish from Spain and Latin America, along with English adaptations of each verse. Includes an introduction in English. For preschool-grade 2 and older readers.) 2003.

The Selected Poems of Federico García Lorca (Selección de Poemas de Federico García Lorca) RC 58741
por Federico García Lorca
leído por Peter Gil
1 cassette
Poemas del famoso dramaturgo español que salieron entre 1921 y 1936. Se incluye el poema "Lamento para Ignacio Sánchez Mejías," que se trata del toreador famoso y amigo de García Lorca que fue muerto en la corrida a las cinco de la tarde. Edición bilingüe, con una breve introducción en inglés. (Representative poems in English and Spanish from works originally published between 1921 and 1936. Includes "Lament for Ignacio Sánchez Mejías," about a famous Spanish bullfighter and friend of Lorca's who was killed in the bullring at five in the afternoon. Includes a short preface in English.) 1955.

Las Películas de mi Vida (The Movies of My Life) RC 58952
por Alberto Fuguet
leído por Luis Omana
2 cassettes
Beltrán Soler, un chileno-americano trabaja como sismólogo, pero vive una vida aburrida, fragmentada y disfuncional. Recuerda a su familia, su carrera, y las experiencias de su vida que salen vívidas y recordables sólo cuando las asocia con las películas que vió durante muchos años. (Chilean American Beltrán Soler works as a seismologist but otherwise leads a fragmented, boring, and dysfunctional existence. He recalls a lifetime made vivid only when he can associate his family, career, and experiences with the popular movies he has seen over a lifetime.) 2003.

Cuentos Folklóricos Latinoamericanos: Fábulas de las Tradiciones Hispanas e Indígenas (Latin American Folk Tales: Fables from Hispanic and Indigenous Traditions) RC 58953
compilado por John Bierhorst
leído por Luis Omana
4 cassettes
Antología de más de 100 cuentos folklóricos de veinte paises hispanohablantes, incluso los Estados Unidos. Incluyen cuentos basados en los mitos precolombianos, leyendas coloniales que remontan a la Europa medieval y al Oriente anciano, y cuentos dinámicos del siglo XX que representan las tradiciones orales de las gentes indígenas del nuevo mundo. Incluye notas y glosario de culturas indígenas. (Anthology of more than one hundred folktales from twenty Spanish-speaking countries, including the United States. The tales include narratives based in pre-Columbian myths, colonial legends with European and Oriental origins, and dynamic stories from twentieth-century oral traditions of native populations. Includes notes and glossary of indigenous peoples.) 2003.

American Chica: Dos Mundos, Una Infancia (American Chica: Two Worlds, One Childhood) RC 58955
por Marie Arana
leído por María Pino
3 cassettes
La autora es redactor principal de la revista *Washington Post* Book World. Habla de su educación bicultural en América del Sur durante los años 1950 como hija de un ingeniero peruano y una mujer norteamericana de pelos rubios que era músico. Entregándose a sus recuerdos, Arana cuenta cómo se las arreglaba con su herencia bicultural. (Editor of the *Washington Post* Book World recounts her bicultural upbringing in South America in the 1950s as the daughter of a Peruvian engineer married to a blonde American musician. She reminisces about coming to terms with her dual heritage.) 2003.

El Código Da Vinci (The Da Vinci Code) RC 58957
por Dan Brown
leído por María Pino
4 cassettes
El profesor Robert Langdon investiga el asesinato del renombrado conservador del Louvre. Le ayuda la criptóloga parisina, Sophie Neveu. Siguiendo una

clave misteriosa tras otra y descifrando mensajes ocultos, los dos llegan a descubrir que dos secretas sociedades católicas se luchan en busca del Grial Sagrado. Contiene algunas descripciones de violencia y lenguaje injurioso. (Professor Robert Langdon investigates the crime scene of the Louvre curator's murder. Joining him is French cryptologist Sophie Neveu. The clues left behind pit two Catholic societies against each other in search of the Holy Grail. Some violence and some strong language.) 2003.

Harry Potter y la Orden del Fénix (Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix) RC 58958

por J.K. Rowling
leído por María Pino
6 cassettes

Después de cumplir el cuarto curso de Hogwarts, Harry se encuentra otra vez pasando un verano tedioso con los Dursley en el mundo de los Muggles. Pero todo esto cambia cuando es atacado por los temibles Dementors. Sigue a *Harry Potter y el Cáliz de Fuego (RC 52975)*. Para grados 4 a 7 y lectores mayores. [The summer after Harry's fourth year at Hogwarts—covered in *Harry Potter y el Cáliz de Fuego (RC 52975)*—finds him back with the Dursleys, isolated in the Muggles' world. But that changes when he is attacked by Dementors. For grades 4-7 and older readers.] 2003.

Las Cinco Personas que Encontrarás en el Cielo (Five People You Meet in Heaven) RC 58961

por Mitch Albom
leído por Luis Alfonso Omana
2 cassettes

Eddie es un viejo que acaba de cumplir sus ochenta y tres años. Pasa sus últimas horas ocupándose con su aburrida rutina de trabajo—manteniendo los carritos del Ruby Pier parque de atracciones. Pero algo va mal con los carritos, y Eddie muere en un accidente intentando salvar a una niña. En el cielo encuentra a cinco personas que le hablan de su vida terrenal. (Eddie spends his last hours on earth in his usual way, maintaining the Ruby Pier amusement park rides. Something goes wrong, and Eddie dies on his eighty-third birthday while trying to save a little girl. In heaven he meets five people who explain his life to him.) 2003.

Es Cuestión de Suerte (Luck of the Draw) RC 58962

por Carolina García-Aguilera
leído por María Pino
3 cassettes

Esmeralda Montoya, una mujer cubanoamericana, y sus hermanos, acuden a la llamada de su madre y se reúnen en la casa familiar de Miami. Su madre anuncia que la familia tiene que planear el regreso a Cuba para revivir el Casino familiar, La Estrella, que fue confiscado por el regimen de Castro. Pero el plan requiere la presencia de todos los hermanos, y resulta que la hermana menor, Diamante, ha desaparecido en Las Vegas. Obligan a Esmeralda que vaya a Las Vegas en busca

de ella. Contiene lenguaje injurioso. (Summoned to their parents' home in Miami, Cuban American Esmeralda Montoya and three siblings learn their mother vividly dreamed of recovering and restoring the family's confiscated Havana casino, La Estrella. But plans must wait until Esmeralda finds young sister Diamond, missing in Las Vegas. Some strong language.) 2004.

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por Tim LaHaye y
Jerry B. Jenkins
leído por Juan Ramirez
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